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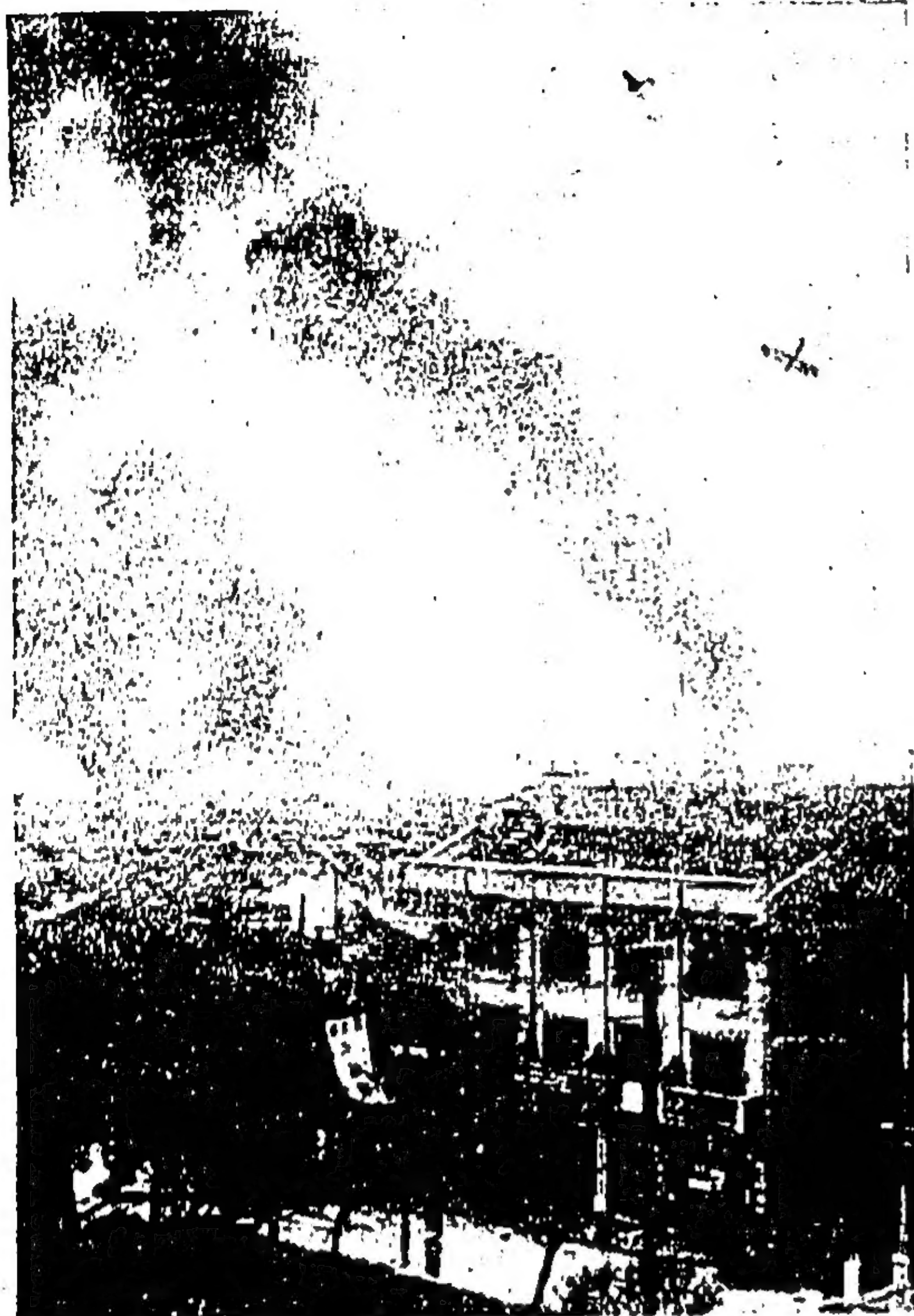
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## JAPAN'S BIG OFFENSIVE CAMPAIGN OPENED.

Terrific Fire by Guns of Both Sides All Through Night.



A vivid picture of a Japanese aerial bombing raid in progress over Shanghai. Three machines are shown in the air, while smoke is seen issuing from buildings set on fire.

### SUFFOLK RATINGS WOUNDED.

### SHELL EXPLODES ON JARDINE WHARF.

### CHINESE RUSH NEW MEN BY RAILWAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 17, 10.40 a.m.  
**THE JAPANESE "BIG PUSH" HAS BEEN STARTED IN REAL EARNEST, A TERRIFIC BOMBARDMENT OPENING LATE LAST NIGHT AND CONTINUING EVER SINCE.**

The signal for the opening of the bombardment was warning reaching the Japanese that the Chinese were attempting to bring up further heavy reinforcements to the Chapei front from the vicinity of Chenju by means of railway trains along the Shanghai-Nanking line.

The trains began to move at about ten o'clock and this precipitated the severe bombardment from the artillery in Hongkew Park. All their fire was concentrated on the railway line and several direct hits are claimed by the Japanese. At midnight, it was learned that the trains had withdrawn without attempting to approach nearer to their objective, and the Japanese guns then concentrated on the Chinese defence lines, which are being subjected to a steady rain of shells.

Two ratings from H.M.S. Suffolk were wounded this morning when a Chinese shell exploded on the Jardine wharf at Yangtzepoo. The Chinese are replying to the Japanese bombardment with all the guns at their disposal and the noise of the battle is deafening. Up to the present, no infantry attack has been launched, but the combatant armies are expected to be at grips within the next few hours.

It has been ascertained that the Japanese have landed fifteen thousand troops within the past few days, together with huge stocks of weapons, including heavy-calibre guns.

Eighteen light tanks and ten heavy caterpillars have been seen.

**LAST DETAIL.**  
What is believed to have been the last detail of the preparations for the "push" was the arrival, yesterday, of the warplane-carriers of the Japanese Fleet, headed by H.I.J.M. Kaga.

Three of these mother-ships have brought one hundred and twenty fighting planes up the Whangpoo river.

**"A MONTH'S WAR."**

Questioned, officers of the Japanese army were unwilling to discuss matters of strategy. They believe that it will take at least a month to complete the campaign. The country over which the fighting will be done—after the Chinese have been driven from their defences in Chapei and Kiangwan—will be difficult to traverse with heavy equipment.

**TERRIFIC BARRAGE.**  
Shanghai, Feb. 17, 10.21 a.m. The Japanese batteries, field-guns and howitzers, opened up a terrific bombardment, presumably signalling the commencement of the "big show," late last night.

The intensive fire from dozens of guns was kept up the whole night through, the Chinese batteries replying steadily.

Exceedingly few residents in the Settlement got much sleep, the din being terrific.

**NAVAL RATINGS HIT.**  
This morning, one shell, presumably Chinese, landed on one of Mesara. Jardine's wharves at Yangtzepoo, alongside which was the s.s. Julvo.

The shell exploded, wounded several passengers on the steamer which suffered some damage, and also wounded two British naval ratings from H.M.S. Suffolk, who were guarding the wharf.—*Reuter.*

**THE SETTLEMENT STATUS.**  
The Foreign Office has instructed the French Ambassador in Tokyo to join the Anglo-American demand reminding the Japanese Government of the necessity for respecting the status of the International Settlement in Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

**CHINESE HOLD THE FORTS.**  
(Our Own Correspondent).  
Shanghai, Feb. 16. (Delayed).  
The Woosung front was very quiet to-day. The Japanese have launched no fresh attacks, but are consolidating their positions. A number of Chinese soldiers were seen by pilots on the Fort to-day.



Another remarkable picture from the heart of the Chapei battlefield, showing a light gun in action. The immediate vicinity of the gun has its own story to tell.

### WARMING UP FOR THE WRATH TO COME.

### TROOPS MOVE INTO LINE.

### KIANGWAN THE FOCUS-POINT.

Shanghai, Feb. 16. (Delayed).

An assurance that Japanese aeroplanes will no longer fly over the Settlement, is contained in a letter to the Municipal Council from the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Murai.

Japanese troops were today busy taking over the positions held by the Japanese marines and bluejackets since the "war" broke out on January 28.

When the change has been completed, the marines will take over police and patrol duties behind the lines.

**STREAMS OF MEN.**

Truckloads of munitions, supplies and men streamed towards Hongkew Park all day long. Japanese civilians cheering the troops as they passed.

Throughout the day there was only desultory firing, but it seems certain that the next forty-eight hours will witness important developments. Both sides seem equally confident regarding the result of the impending battle.—*Reuter.*

**KIANGWAN OUTLOOK.**

(Our Own Correspondent).

The Japanese appear to be planning to make the Kiangwan district the main point of focus for their coming offensive. There is immense activity in this region, large numbers of troops having been conveyed there from Yangtzepoo to-day.

A survey reveals that the Japanese and Chinese outposts in the Kiangwan area are less than half a mile apart, though it is noted that the Chinese who were entrenched in the Hsiang Ying Road a few days ago, found themselves too exposed and have retreated.

**HEAVY STRAFING.**

While the Chinese are withholding their fire along the Chapei front, the Japanese are rapidly completing the process of substituting troops for marines and bluejackets.

Early this afternoon, Japanese artillery commenced an exceedingly heavy bombardment of the Chinese positions along the Kiangwan Road, and no Chinese reply was forthcoming.

**PLANES AT LUNGHWA.**

A Japanese plane was observed to be flying over the French Concession at 8.55 a.m. this morning, and at eleven o'clock, three Japanese machines were scouting over the Lungwa area.

Intermittent artillery fire commenced at 6.45 p.m. and this still continues.

### "BOY" EMPEROR AGAIN.

### President of Manchuria!

### INDEPENDENCE PROJECT.

Mukden, Feb. 16. (Delayed).

Pu Yi, the "boy ex-Emperor" has again emerged as an important factor in the Manchurian situation.

It is believed that it is planned for him that he shall become the first President of Manchuria.

Preparations for the formation of an independent autonomous Manchurian Government are being rushed.

General Chang Ching-huei, the Governor of Harbin, arrived yesterday. General Ma Chan-shan is expected by aeroplane to-day.

**THE FAVOURITE.**

But Pu Yi is still the favourite candidate for the Presidency, being specially backed by the Manchurian General Hsi Hsia. The present conference at Mukden between the Manchurian leaders is only preliminary. It is believed. It is expected that the inauguration of the new State will take place at Changchun later.

**GEN. MA ARRIVES.**

Later.  
General Ma Chan-shan, the defender of the Nonni River and Taitshar against the Japanese, arrived at Mukden by air this afternoon from Harbin, to attend the

### SHANTUNG INVASION RUMOURS.

### CHINESE TROOPS ON MOVE.

Peking, Feb. 16. (Delayed).

There is no longer any doubt that considerable troop movements are going on in North China, though their exact significance is by no means certain.

It is understood that the Central Government, whose headquarters are to-day at Loyang, recently ordered the Northern commanders to be prepared for eventualities against Japan, which apparently meant that they were to prepare for possible defensive warfare.

The foreign authorities in Peking still declare that there are no signs of Chinese troops movements along the Peking-Mukden Railway towards Manchuria, or towards Jehol, but it is expected that some Shansi troops will shortly be brought to Hanoi or Shantung.

**TSINGTAO NEXT?**

In some Chinese circles, it is asserted that the Japanese intend to send a strong force to Hanchow or Tsingtao for the invasion of Shantung, and declare that the Central Government has ordered two hundred thousand troops to concentrate in Shantung to withstand the invasion.—*Reuter.*

conference scheduled for to-night.

**DINES WITH HONJO.**

General Ma Chan-shan dined with his recent enemy, General Honjo, the Japanese commander-in-chief in Manchuria, others present being Tsang Shih-yi, the chairman of the Fengtien Government, Chang Ching-hui, commander-in-chief of the Harbin area, and General Hsi Hsia, the chairman of the Kirin Government.—*Reuter.*

### DARTMOOR GAOL MUTINY.

### FIFTY CONVICTS FACE TRIAL.

### PROBLEMS FOR OFFICIALS.

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Feb. 16.  
Steel docks and a body of armed warders are suggested as a precaution at the public trial of fifty convicts, alleged to have been the ringleaders in the Dartmoor Prison mutiny.

One of the difficulties of the authorities is that of finding a court where it is safe to take these men.

The Home Office is now conferring with the police regarding the advisability of conducting the trial within the prison walls, but here again, another difficulty presents itself, that of finding a building in Dartmoor large enough to accommodate all the prisoners and the Court.

As fifty convicts are being charged, they will need at least a hundred warders.

### NO "DOLE" IN AMERICA.

### JOBLESS NOW TOTAL NINE MILLIONS.

Washington, Feb. 16.

There is to be no "dole" in the United States.

The Senate to-day rejected a Bill providing for direct Federal Unemployment Relief.

Under the Bill, a sum of \$25,000,000 was to have been appropriated for relief purposes this winter, and a further sum of \$50,000,000 for the next fiscal year.

The number of unemployed is now stated to total nine millions.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Suffering from an overdose of Adalin, a man named Chan Fuk, aged 41, of 64, Wanching Street, Yaumatei, was removed to hospital for treatment. His condition is not considered serious. It is believed that the man attempted to commit suicide.

### THE POISON GAS FABLE.

### JAPANESE USE OF SMOKE-SCREENS.

Washington, Feb. 16.

An emphatic denial that the Japanese are intending to use poison gas in their operations around Shanghai has been issued by the Japanese Military Attaché.

"I have received information from the Japanese General Staff," he says, "that the Japanese forces have never used poison gas and have no intention of using it in the future."

"Our troops are equipped with devices for laying smoke-screens, which are only a means of covering their movements. The smoke set up does not contain any poisonous elements."—*Reuter.*

### OFFICIALS KEEP ON TALKING.

### DEPRESSION OVER WASHINGTON.

Washington, Feb. 16.

Sir Ronald Lindsay called at the State Department again to-day and conversed at some length with Mr. Castle, the Under-Secretary of State, who also talked with M. Claudel, the French Ambassador.

The feeling of depression in official circles regarding the Far Eastern situation persists. It is believed that there is little hope that the Japanese will refrain from a large scale attack unless the Chinese voluntarily withdraw, which is most unlikely.

Shells dropping into the Settlement is a matter giving rise to increased anxiety, but Washington officials believe that the Consuls are doing their utmost to protect the foreign concessions.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### FUNDS FOR THE 19TH ARMY.

HUGE SUMS FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, Feb. 16.

A house-to-house collection in San Francisco's Chinatown this afternoon, for funds to aid the Chinese forces in Shanghai, yielded a quarter of a million dollars gold.—*Reuter.*

## Shanghai's Mystery Plane.

Part of the Puzzle Solved.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH").

Shanghai, Feb. 17.  
Shanghai's aeroplane mystery, the sudden arrival of an unknown machine at the Racecourse and the speedy disappearance of the pilot, has been partially cleared up.

The pilot of the mystery plane was Mr. Tom Derby, an American, who arrived by air from Nanking. He is associated with the Arrow Aviation Company and flew to Nanking on business on January 25. He says that although Nanking was in no danger of attack, he considered that his plane was safer in Shanghai than in a Chinese hangar at Nanking.

He selected the racecourse as the most suitable landing place.

**FIRE ON.**  
Mr. Derby declared that on his way down, he saw no signs of Chinese troop movements. He was very careful not to fly over Chapei, but nevertheless was mistaken for a Japanese plane and was fired upon by Chinese at least a dozen times without suffering hurt or damage.

The only part of the mystery not cleared up is why he "fled."—*Reuter.*



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**ECONOMIC CRISIS IN U.S.A.**  
**ROTARY CLUB SPEAKER ON THE REMEDIES.**  
**FREE SPENDING.**

An explanation of some of the events which have resulted in the United States feeling the full force of the present world depression was given by Mr. Harper Sibley, of Rochester, New York, who spoke at yesterday's meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club, held in Messrs. Lancelotti's restaurant under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

The Chairman, who announced that as next Tuesday would be a race day there would be no meeting of the Club, welcomed the following visitors:—Rotarian, H.M. Cavender, Manila, Rotarian Col. H. Cohen, past President of the Melbourne Club, Melbourne, Rotarian P. H. Stevenson, Peking, Mr. W. C. Costin, Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, travelling under a Rhodes Scholarship, and a member of the British Group to the conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations held recently, Mr. A. McKirdy, Hongkong, Dr. C. P. Emerson, Dean of Indiana University, and Rotarian A. A. Brown, President of Drew University, Madison New Jersey.

Mr. Sibley said that the economic crisis appeared to be particularly acute in the United States. He explained that he was a 100 per cent. believer in industrialization of a country and in the increase of the machine productivity of a country. Describing the conditions in the United States, Mr. Sibley said that there had been a tremendous "jog" in the country which had been "intoxicated" during the past two or three years. "We have now found the headache which inevitably must come along."

One reason for the state of intoxication was that American business manufacturers and salesmen believed in the philosophy that profits came from spending rather than from saving. That the way to lay up for the future was to spend freely because, if everybody spent, it created business, and the creation of business led to more business, going round in a circle until prosperity was reached.

Artificial Buying Power. Mr. Sibley said that the American people had not only got into the habit of spending their income, but through facilities afforded to them by the credit system, many of them had spent the following year's salary as well. By spending in this manner, the population had created an artificial buying power.

Another reason for the improved business in those days was that the United States had made tremendous foreign loans most of which were to be spent in the United States, which again enlarged the buying of the people. Through these various agencies business was stimulated beyond the normal income and it was felt that business was on the up-grade and was going to keep soaring indefinitely. More money was made than in normal years, and one of the outcomes was that stocks went up.

Stock Investments. The rise in stocks gave birth to a number of investment trusts. The investment trusts said they could invest money far better than the average person, claiming to know more than the average person did. The result was that a great many people began to buy investment trust securities, and they, in turn, went in for stocks, resulting in a tremendous increase in the country's purchasing power in stocks.

The speaker gave an instance of the company in which he had an interest, and said that for years the stock had been standing at

about \$800. They were hoping that one day it would touch \$1,000. During the boom a small parcel of 20 shares were sold and re-sold in the market and one day, when he looked in the papers to see what their stock was quoted at, he found the amazing figure of \$4,500. On that basis the stock was earning about one per cent. That was the situation in the stock market and it gave some idea of the ridiculous prices that were being paid.

The Crash. After the boom there came the crash in 1929. "If we went up fast," said Mr. Sibley, "we came down a lot faster." It was amazing the way things had dropped in the United States. He did not think anyone who had not recently been there could realise how bad things really were.

In Great Britain, said the speaker, the people were more used to depression. In the United States the depression, following the boom, was like a person who being very well and vigorous, was suddenly stricken down. "We have not got used to it," said the speaker, "and we are very much upset about it."

Giving figures to illustrate the drop in stocks since the crash, Mr. Sibley said that during the last two years the twenty best railroad stocks had dropped 60 per cent. The twenty best industrial stocks had dropped 65 per cent. The 20 best public utilities (power and light companies) had dropped 76 per cent. At that rate, said the speaker, if one's money was invested in the best stocks in the country, one would lose not less than three quarters of one's capital.

Banks Insolvent. Out of a total of 25,000 banks in the United States, some 2,000 banks had actually gone into the hands of the receivers, and their liabilities amounted to two billion dollars. They were only able to pay eight cents on the dollar.

It was thought that the bottom had been touched by the year 1931, but in that year there were some additional drops. Last spring it appeared that the time was opportune to buy stocks, nevertheless it proved to be anything but opportune. The speaker said that stocks of the New York Central Railroad, which operated through a great series of industrial cities, dropped from \$182 to \$25 a share. Another very big stock, U. S. Steel Corporation, dropped from \$152 to \$36. Another leading railroad stock dropped from \$104 to \$15, and Union Pacific dropped from \$8205 to \$371.

Huge Sum Vanishes. Mr. Sibley said that the situation was not without its humorous aspect. He instanced the case of a man worth about \$300,000,000 before the crash, who died on the eve of the fall in stock prices. Out of his estate he had to pay death duties to the extent of \$87,000,000. This payment was not due until about a year after the death. By that time the value of the stocks held by the estate had dropped so low that the beneficiaries of an estate worth \$300,000,000 found themselves unable even to meet the death duties! The family fortune was "wiped out."

Investors in American stocks had had to write off \$350,000,000,000 in two years! That simply "knocked over" the American people. The bond market went lower than it had ever done for the past 20 years. As was to be expected, when the crisis came, the people turned to the Government for help, and President Hoover held a conference with some of the leading business men. The Government at first said there was no depression and it was only a matter of a slump in the stock-market. Six months later they said that the depression was almost over. Six months later still they said that the worst was over and that the country ought to be able to show brighter colours in the near future.

Government's Action. They kept on talking in that way until about six months ago they

realised that the patient was very sick. Since then, President Hoover had come forward with ten proposals, some of the more interesting of which were dealt with by the speaker.

The postponement of international debts, said Mr. Sibley, was one of the proposals. The idea had met with the approval of the business men and the newspapers of America. Another remedy suggested by the Government of the United States was to raise funds to assist the various banks on which there was a run. The Government Reconstruction Finance Corporation was formed, whereby the bigger banks were enabled to help the smaller ones. The Corporation was formed to underwrite the solvency of thousands of American banks, most of which held securities which were, at one time, standing quite high, but which could not even meet the banks' liabilities to-day. In regard to these securities, it was explained that in many cases the Government had stepped in and fixed a rate where the banks could realise a fixed value on such securities.

Railroad Stock. A third remedy suggested and introduced by the American Government was in connexion with railroad stocks. The best securities in America, it had been recognised for years past, were railroad stocks, and these securities were held by the leading insurance companies and banks. The railroads were State controlled to the extent that their profits were kept at about five and a half per cent. each year. Since the crash, however, business had fallen off and car earnings had gone down by about one-third. One great railway system, the Illinois Central, which had shown a profit of \$9,000,000 for 1930, showed a loss of \$4,500,000 for 1931, representing a difference of \$13,500,000 in a year. Not only were the railroad companies unable to pay dividends, but some of them were rapidly heading for the hands of the receivers.

The Government Reconstruction Finance Corporation had arranged to pay interest on the railroad stocks to assist stockholders to tide over the present period and to allay the fears of such stockholders.

Steps had also been taken to permit the railroad companies to increase their rates to meet the emergency, and railroad employees, rather than face unemployment, had volunteered to accept a ten per cent. cut in their wages.

No Blame. One feature of the depression, which was very encouraging, said Mr. Sibley, was that there was no blame going round. Capital was not blaming labour, nor was labour blaming Capital, and no one blamed the Government, but the whole country was trying to work out of it together, which was a hopeful sign.

Mr. Sibley concluded by saying that he was a thorough believer in the industrial system for relieving pressure on the land. Population grew daily but not the product of the land, and it was inevitable that the people in the rural areas should find their way into factories. Properly handled, this was not such a difficult problem and he foresaw the day when the machine would do all the work and men would have more time for leisure. He felt sure that when that time came, men would learn to control their leisure.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy thanked the speaker on behalf of the Club.

**FRENCH CRISIS.**  
**GOVERNMENT RESIGNS FOLLOWING DEFEAT.**  
Paris, Feb. 16. The Government has resigned in consequence of its defeat in the Senate on the Electoral Bill, which aimed at following the British voting system, and included woman suffrage.—Reuter.

**RECEIVER SENTENCED.**  
**SEQUEL TO NEW YEAR ROBBERY.**

Charged with receiving stolen goods, Ma Chuen yesterday appeared before Mr. Justice Lindsell and a jury at the Criminal Sessions, and pleaded not guilty to the indictment.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith prosecuted and the jury empanelled were Messrs. S. H. Hartbridge, (Foreman) F. P. Kennedy, B. Herschend, S. H. Bux, C. Offenberger, G. Anderson and W. C. Ogley.

Mr. Whyte Smith, in presenting the case for the Crown said the charge was the sequel to a robbery at 165, Portland Street on January 17, in which four robbers took part. It was not suggested that accused was one of the robbers and there was no evidence to that effect. He was charged with receiving stolen goods knowing them to be stolen.

On January 21, Inspector Fallon, a Chinese sergeant and a constable visited No. 231 Portland Street, second floor, where accused lived. The constable remained outside of the house while the Inspector and sergeant endeavoured to gain admittance. They experienced some difficulty in doing so, and the door was finally opened by accused, who, it was discovered was the only occupant.

While the officers were trying to get in, the constable outside noticed a parcel thrown out of the second floor window. He picked it up and it was found to contain three watches, a gold ring and a jade bracelet. Two of the watches and the bracelet were identified as and the parcel was stolen on January 17. From the accused, Inspector Fallon secured a bunch of keys and with one opened a cabinet in the room in which was found a fountain pen case with pencil, which was also identified as being among the articles stolen.

The accused was arrested and when charged replied "They were given to me by Ah Ching. I did not know they were stolen."

Evidence proving the robbery and the identification of the watches, bracelet and fountain pen case was given for the Crown, and after a brief summing up, the jury returned a verdict of guilty. Accused was accordingly sentenced to twelve months' hard labour.

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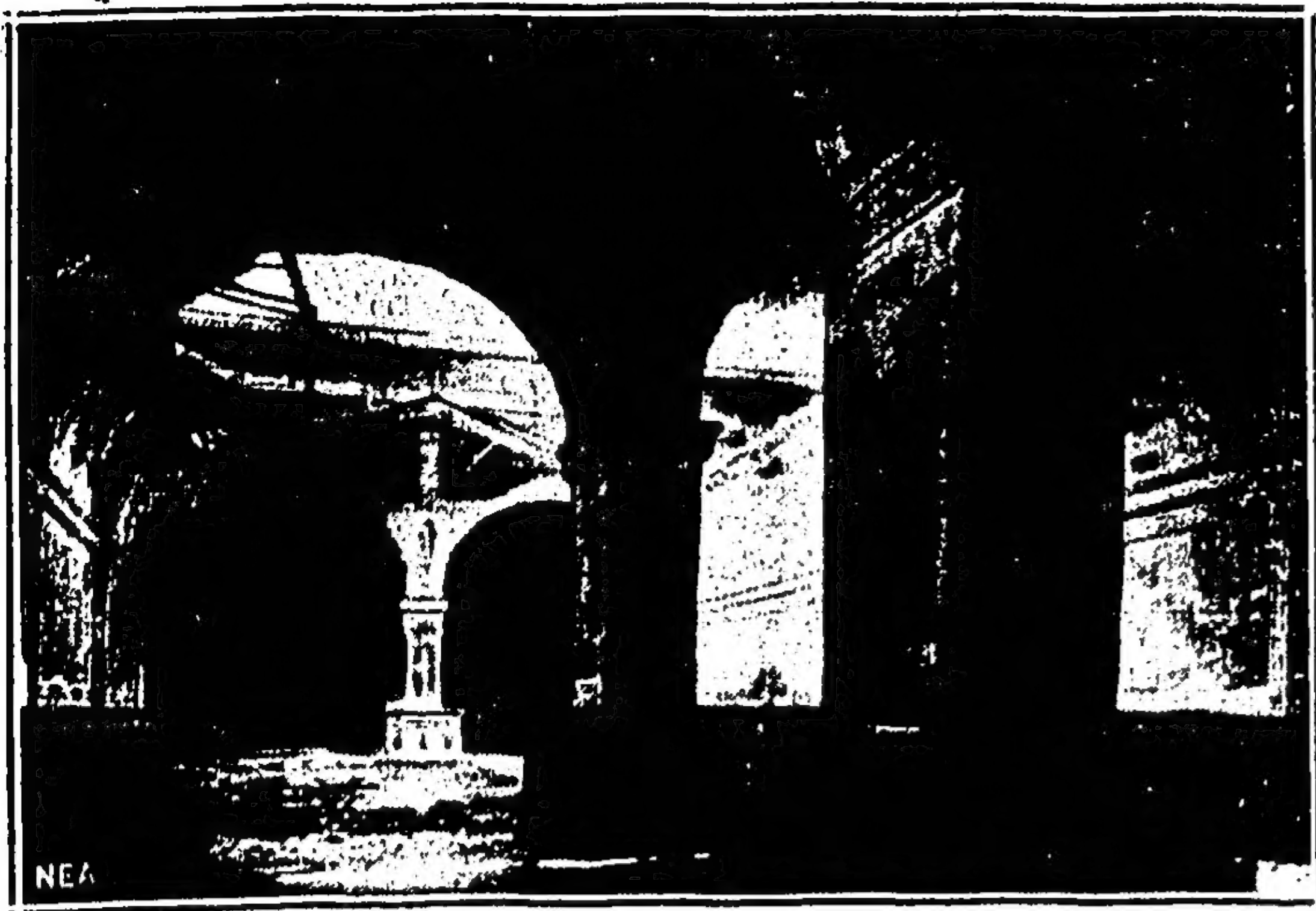
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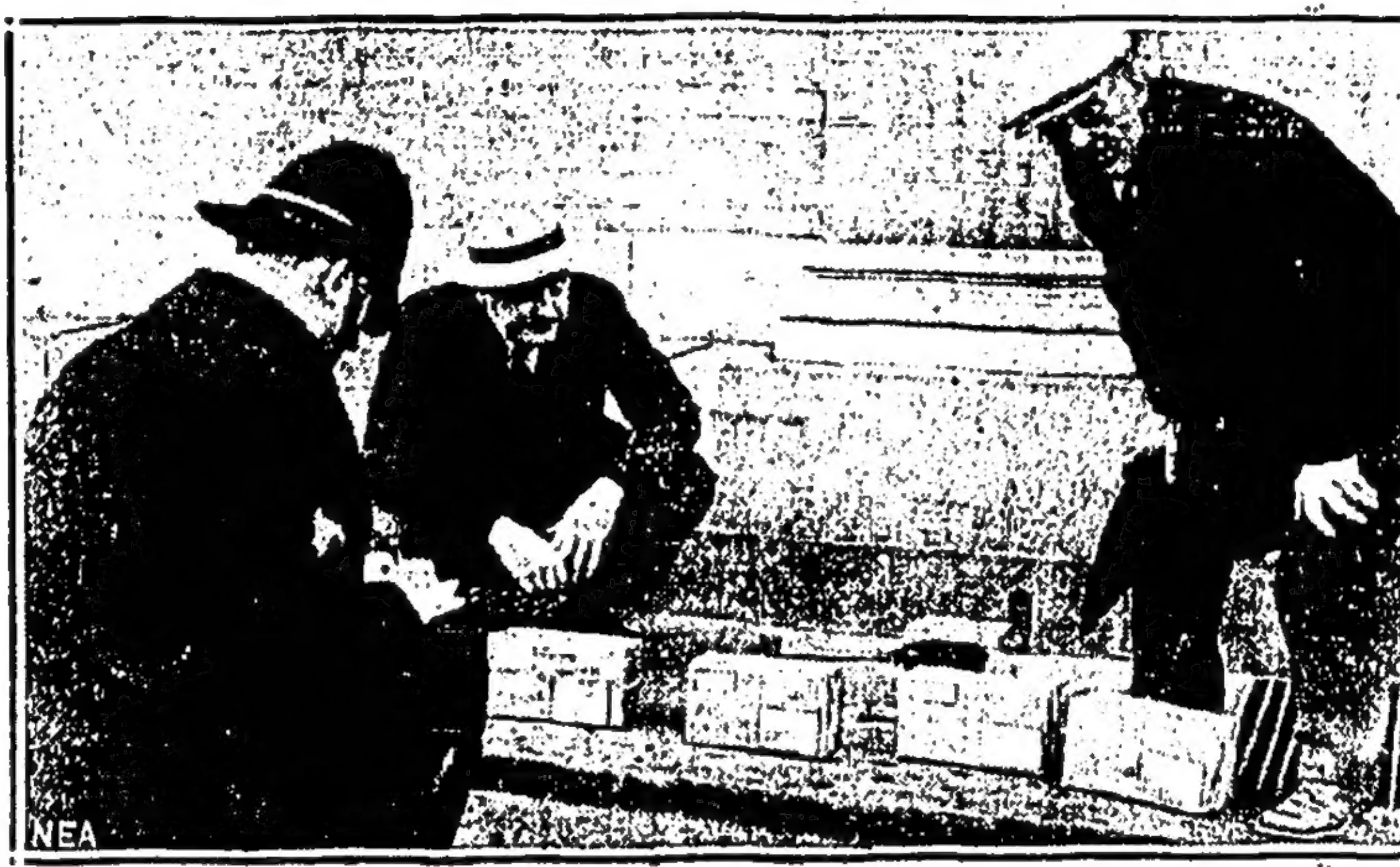
Picture showing how the collapse of the roof of the library, housed in the Sixtus V or left wing of the Vatican Palace in Rome, showered the interior with wreckage. Five workmen and Professor Vapasso were killed and priceless volumes and manuscripts were destroyed. The above photo shows how aging timbers cracked in "The Hall of a hundred Days" and allowed heavy beams, slating and supports to crash inside. Note the enormous gap in the roof through which another wing of the Vatican can be seen.



Just a gentle massaging, administered by Henry Coppinger, crocodile wrestler, put this fearsome looking reptile to sleep while an awed crowd looked on—from a safe distance—at Miami Beach, recently.



The shattered interior of a cage in the Easton post office after a bomb, exploding, had killed two clerks. Discovery of more bombs in the boxes shown on the ledge, at the right, revealed a plot against prominent Italians to whom the packages were addressed.



Tragedy hovered over this scene. For shortly after the picture above was taken, Charles Weaver (in center), a bomb expert, was critically injured by the explosion of one of these bomb-laden boxes at Easton, Pa. A few hours before another had exploded, killing two clerks and injuring three others in the Easton post office. At the right is Detective George J. Ryan, and at the left a state trooper, assisting in examination of the fatal packages.

## THREE KINDS OF LOVE

by KAY CLEVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TODAY.

Ann, Emily and Mary-Frances Fenwick live with their grandparents, once wealthy, now so impoverished that Ann's and Emily's earnings support the household. The girls have been orphaned since childhood. The grandparents are known respectively as "Grandpa" and "Grandma" and they insist on keeping up pretensions of their former wealth. Ann, 25, and Emily, 22, do so reluctantly and Mary-Frances, 18, is still in school. When the story opens Ann has been engaged to Philip Keroyd, young lawyer, for eight years. Emily brings Harry McKel home to dinner. It is evident that she is falling in love with him. Mary-Frances has a telephone call from her friend, Rosalie, who is excited about the arrival of an actor known as Earl the Armand. The two girls make plans to meet him. Phil comes to see Ann. He is late and rather irritable.

### CHAPTER VII

In the hall, where Ann could see his frown, he went on. "No. It seems to me that you and I are pushed about, constantly and regardless of our own inclinations, to the tune of other people's whims."

"Not—not whims," said Ann. Philip shrugged. She hated to see him shrug that way, pretending or, perhaps, actually signifying that nothing was of importance any longer. She began to talk rapidly. "Dear, dearest," she said, "I don't know, but I think most people's troubles are their own faults, unless we switch to the determinists and say that nothing is anyone's fault. I mean—if there is fault it must belong to each person's own self. I was thinking tonight, as I peered the curtains, you are like the sun to my moon. And when you shine I can shine—reflected light, you know. As they have been lately, and you are sort of hidden from me in the clouds, then I can't shine either. Only—it is more than my shining. Then I'm just not I at all. Nor anything—much. I'm gone."

"Which, resolved," said Philip Keroyd, dignified young lawyer, "puts all the blame at my door, all the time for not—how is it?—shining."

"No," said Ann desperately. "No. Phil dear, you are so clever and so wise and—I'm not. I shouldn't try smiles—metaphors. They don't arrive. But, dear, if you'd try you could understand."

For once compliments failed to mollify him, "I do try," he said. "But nothing ever works out for other of us, does it? We never arrive." He sighed and added, "I love you, Ann," but to Ann it sounded absent-minded, like "I beg your pardon" and its ilk. She assured him, "Quite all right, I assure you," by saying nothing. "Well," he reached for her hands. "I'll be running along, then. Good night, dear."

"Good night?" she echoed, without the "dear." "But why in the world are you going so early? Cecil will think it's queer if you don't come in and meet her friend."

What did he mean those shrugging shoulders to imply? Patience? (Emily, in a teasing humour, had said that Phil was as patient as a thumb.) Indifference? She had asked him last week what he meant when he shrugged, and he had answered that it was merely a mannerism, he supposed, and that he was sorry it annoyed her. Hinting, however, that Ann was easily annoyed.

He hung up his hat again, and took off his raincoat again, and kicked his overshoes again—Phil never hurried. "I'm afraid," he said, as he slipped down his hair again, "that I'm in no mood for a family party nor for Cecil's friends."

The music room was lighted only with the piano lamp, and off in a shadowy corner Grand mercifully was dozing. Rosalie, with her back to the light, tossed Philip and Ann a contralto parenthesis and went right on being the alluring blonde belle of South Carolina.

Ann glanced at Cecil and saw that Rosalie and her allure did not matter—that nothing much mattered. Cecil was glowing with a blurred radiance that Ann understood. It came along with love, at first, and it came because all outside things were blurred and softened and made beautiful—for the time being.

Cecil, now, could not see that Phil with his six feet and two inches towered above the shortish Mr. McKel. She could not see that Phil, with his smooth hair and his deep, dark-browed blue eyes, and his maturity and manliness, made Barry McKel look boyish and fragile and inadequate. In time, of course, things necessarily emerged from the haze and crystallized into clearly outlined duties, and practicalities, habits, and certainties. Marriage, Ann believed, made this emergence easy: totalitarily, as it went along, certainties, duties, habits, troubles, into a sum fine and noble, instead of confusing them



Add to the list of 1931 sport-champions: George Coulidge, champion coal carrier of England. Here he is with the 100-pound sack of "black diamonds" that he carried for four miles in successfully defending his title against all-comers in London recently.



It was a miraculous escape for Mrs. A. Felix du Pont, society aviatrix, when her biplane crashed during a forced landing near Springville, Staten Island, N. Y. Mrs. du Pont was only slightly injured.

able round of anecdotes concerning the three prodigies, the sisters Fenwick, and Phil sat, and was handsome, and looked bored, bored, bored.

For Phil's sake, and for Cecil's, too, Ann snatched the opportunity offered at the end of Rosalie's story about six-year-old Mary-Frances and her first view of the Pacific ocean ("I had understood," lisped Mary-Frances, as she turned away, "that it was much bigger than that") to tell about the funny man who had gone with them for the Labour Day party to Agate Beach.

"He was a 'sateenth' cousin of somebody's, and we none of us understood how he got into our group at all. But there he was, and he liked us less than we liked him, and he complained about the coffee and wouldn't help with any of the work. On Sunday evening, I happened to be alone on the porch, and there was a glorious sunset doing marvellous purple things to the ocean. I called the others, 'Come and see the ocean!' and they all came except this Mr. Whatever-his-name-was. I thought he hadn't heard me; he was in the dining room, so I ran in there and said again, mad with enthusiasm, 'Oh, Mr. So-and-so, come and see the ocean!' He sat stolid in his chair and put back his chin and said, 'I have seen the ocean.'"

Barry's laugh leaped out satirically. But Phil looked bored, bored, bored. "Did anyone ask him," Barry said, "about York Cathedral?" Ann did not understand, but Phil opened his eyes wider and leaned forward. "Ah! You care for the Brontës?"

"Do! Emily in particular. I've just been rereading . . ."

Ann soon stopped listening. She sat with a small smile fixed on her lips, and was glad that Phil was no longer bored, and that Cecil seemed to have read all the Brontë books, and that Rosalie had been lulled and was nodding in her heliotrope perfume. She had put on a lot of it to-night. Phil said that Rosalie was always ruthlessly perfumed. Poor Rosalie—she wore

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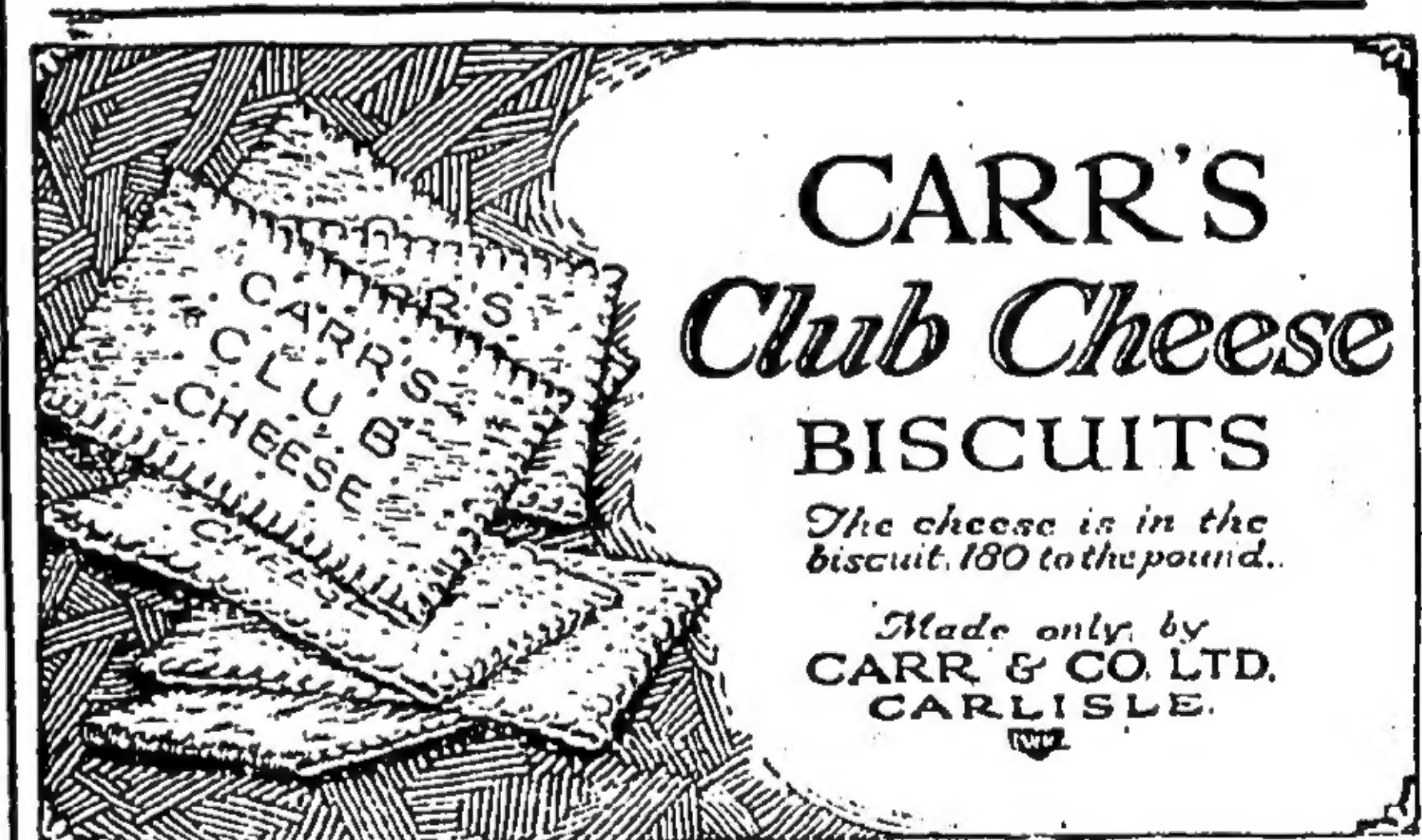
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All claims must be sent to the undersigned before Thursday, the 27th February, 1932, or they will not be recognized.  
 Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Godard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 24th February, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,  
 Agent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1932.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

**AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** of the KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION will be held in ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL, KOWLOON, on Friday, 26th February 1932, at 6 p.m.

**Business.**—To consider and, if thought fit, approve the following alterations to the Rules of the Association: Rule 25—To add the words "or at the Annual General Meeting."

To add a new rule as follows, to be inserted between the existing rules 14 & 15: "Honorary Life members may be elected at any Annual General Meeting; such Life Members shall be nominated by the General Committee, and no annual subscription shall be payable by them." To renumber the existing rules Nos. 15, 25 as Nos. 16, 26.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Twelfth Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Friday, 26th February, 1932, immediately after the above mentioned extraordinary General Meeting.

## BUSINESS.

Adoption of Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1931.

Election of Officers and Committee.

Any other business. It is specially requested that all members and others interested in the welfare of Kowloon will make an endeavour to be present at this meeting.

CHAS. E. TERRY,  
 Hon. Secretary.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932.

20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th February, 1932.  
 On Saturday 20th, Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, and Wednesday 24th February, the first race will be run at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, the 27th February, the first race will be run at 1 p.m., and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.  
 The 15 min interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax or \$10.00 including tax for the Meeting (badges \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

A limited number of Tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from No. 1 Box, Telephone No. 21290.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.**  
 The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax. Bootmakers, Tie Tac men etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

## SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building. Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands. Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,  
 C. B. BROWN,  
 Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1932.

## KOWLOON UNION CHURCH.

A meeting of Members and Adherents will be held on Sunday, 28th February, 1932, on the conclusion of the Morning Service.

Business—Election of Trustees.

G. R. LEIB,  
 Hon. Secretary.

## G. R. R.

## NOTICE.

Traffic Regulations during the Races, 1932.

- All vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nel-Chung will proceed via Arsenal Street, Hennessy Road, Percival Street, Leighton Hill Road, and round the Happy Valley via Wong-Nel-Chung Road to the entrance gates. Vehicles will return to town via Morrison Gap Road and Queen's Road East. These arrangements will be in force between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Passengers will alight from and board tramcars and buses at:—(1) The main Public entrance gate and (2) The members entrance gate only.
- Trucks and persons carrying large burdens will not be permitted West of Percival Street or East of Murray Road between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Pedestrians must walk on the footpaths, and not on the roadway.
- Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.
- Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.
- Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying is liable to be destroyed (Ordinance 1 of 1935, section 16 sub-section 2).

Notice: There will be one way traffic only in Queen's Road East from the Monument to Arsenal Street from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The one way traffic will run from East to West.

Vehicles proceeding up Stubbs Road will proceed via Arsenal Street, Johnston Road, (Old, Praya East) Wanchai Road, Morrison Hill Road and Morrison Gap Road.

## Parking of Cars at the Race Course.

- The Stand at the Public entrance is reserved for Jockey Club Stewards and Officials only.
- Morrison Hill parking ground opposite Civil Service Club, and Village Road reserved for Private Cars.
- Ventris Road reserved for public Cars.

E. D. C. WOLFE,  
 Inspector General of Police.  
 Hongkong, 16th February, 1932.

## THE HONG KONG, CANTON &amp; MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The ONE HUNDRED and TWELFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 15th March, 1932, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 1st March, 1932, to Tuesday, the 15th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G. E. ELLAMS,  
 Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1932.

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J. BALDWIN.

## THE HONGKONG TRANSFER &amp; BROKERAGE CO.

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 27th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 15th February, to Saturday, the 27th February, 1932 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

V. M. GRAYBURN,  
 Chief Manager.  
 Hongkong, 5th February, 1932.

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE &amp; FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Mongkok, on Monday, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 18th February, to Monday, 29th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
 General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1932.

## THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child.

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THE NEW ZEALAND REMEDY.  
**THERAPION NO. 1  
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 THERAPION NO. 3**

## MELBOURNE INMAN FINED £20.

## DOCTOR ON DRINK AND MOTORING.

Melbourne Inman, the well-known billiards player, of New Malden, was fined £20 with £7 7s costs at Marylebone for driving a car while under the influence of drink.

Last October he was fined £5 for a similar offence, and the magistrate (Mr. Bingley) said it was most deplorable that it should have happened again so quickly.

Inman was stopped by a police motor patrol because his car was considered to be zig-zagging dangerously.

Inman said he had only two whiskies and sodas and that the police surgeon had mistaken an attack of vertigo for giddiness due to drink.

Dr. Bingley said that Inman was a type of person more than usually susceptible to alcohol. He ought to be extremely circumspect.

Mr. Coleman (defending): Do you think two whiskies and sodas should be too large an amount to take?

Dr. Bingley: I do in the circumstances. As a doctor I should take no drink when driving a car, and I think that no motorist should take as much as two whiskies and sodas when driving.

Inman begged the magistrate not to suspend his licence, saying that he was using his car at present to travel about the country demonstrating his new game of golf-billiards.

The magistrate replied that he was sorry, but he did not see why on this occasion he should interfere with the automatic suspension.

## THE BARBER'S "BOMB."

## A COMEDY IN FIVE ACTS.

Naples, Jan. 15.  
 Like the famous safe of Madame Humbert, the package addressed to the King of Italy and Signor Mussolini when opened were found to contain something quite different from what was expected. A barber, aptly named Modestino De Rosa, remembering in his Atlantic exile the coin-collecting hobby of his King, has suddenly leaped into the limelight as the hero of a spurious "bomb" drama. The piece was in five acts, with a surprising denouement.

Act 1.—Bomb, dispatched by parcel post caused panic among Italians in the United States.

Act 2.—Owners of the United States steamer Excalibur wireless that a mailbag on board was reported to contain bombs addressed to King Victor and Signor Mussolini.

Act 3.—Officers of the Excalibur declared the story baseless.

Act 4.—In a strongly guarded warehouse at Naples Customs officials, post office clerks and Fascist postal militia started to search 1,000 mailbags of the Excalibur.

Act 5.—No bomb, but a simple gift of a rare American coin expressing a barber's humble homage to his King was found. Another parcel addressed to the Duke of Spoleto, nephew of the King, contained three samples of linoleum.

## SPRING'S NEW FASHIONS.

## AN ALL-BRITISH DRESS SHOW.

The first of the London spring and summer dress collections was shown in a Davis-street salon at the end of last month.

The clothes displayed were of British designs and made from British materials.

Judging from this parade London does not mean to spring many surprises upon woman in the coming season, and the novelties in the collection mostly concerned the materials, which included, fancy light woollen fabrics, printed silks with crepe surfaces and even silk furnishing fabrics.

Skirts for day wear were well above the ankle, but remain long for evening gowns.

The hats shown were either quite small and made of shiny straw or had medium brims. Jane Munns, the designer, does not sponsor exaggeration in any form.

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## THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

## REMINDER

ENTRIES for the Spring Race Meeting to be held at Macao on Sunday, the 13th March, 1932 close at 5 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 19th February, 1932.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

Information has been received that the Siberian route is uninterrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted at senders' risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suez.

As from 10th February the Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is resumed for individual parcels only.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed. It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-holder's Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

## INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Calcutta and Straits	Kamsang	February 17.
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	February 18.
Japan	Sirihana	February 19.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	February 19.
Japan	Hakusan Maru	February 19.
Japan	Shinyo Maru	February 19.
Europe via Neapantam (Letters and Papers) London, 21st January	Kashima Maru	February 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 30th January)	Emp. of Japan	February 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd January)	Pres. Garfield	February 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 29th January)	Pres. Lincoln	February 22.
Manila	Asama Maru	February 22.
London, Parcels only, London, 14th January	Memon	February 24.
Calcutta and Straits	Santhin	February 24.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 6th February)	Pres. Taft	February 26.
Japan	Kitane Maru	February 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Naldara	February 26.

## OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Amoy	Kwiyang	Wed., Feb. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Samshul and Wuchow	Peok On	Wed., Feb. 17, 4 p.m.
Salgon	Holkon	Wed., Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Andre Lebon	Wed., Feb. 17, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Asama Maru	Thurs., Feb. 18, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangan	Thurs., Feb. 18, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Kamsang	Thurs., Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Japan	Atsuta Maru	Fri., Feb. 19, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hanching	Fri., Feb. 19, 1 p.m.
Bangkok	Bintang	Fri., Feb. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong	Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Japan and Canada	President Cleveland	Fri., Feb. 19.
Parcels	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 3 p.m.
Reg.	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 4.15 p.m.
Letters	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
(Due Victoria B.C., 8th March)	President Cleveland	Fri., Feb. 19.
Reg.	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Letters	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 6 p.m.

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Hakusan Maru ..... Fri., Feb. 19.  
 K.P.O.  
 Reg. .... Feb. 19, 4.30 p.m.  
 Letters .... Feb. 19, 4.30 p.m.  
 G.P.O.  
 Reg. .... Feb. 19, 5 p.m.  
 Letters .... Feb. 19, 5 p.m.  
 (Due Marseilles, 10th March)

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia ..... Emp. of Canada ..... Sat., Feb. 20.  
 Parcels ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5 p.m.  
 Reg. .... Sat., Feb. 20, 9.15 a.m.  
 Letters ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 10 a.m.  
 (Due Vancouver B.C., 6th March)

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island ..... Changte ..... Sat., Feb. 20.  
 Parcels ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5 p.m.  
 Reg. .... Sat., Feb. 20, 9.15 a.m.  
 Letters ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 10.30 a.m.  
 (Due Thursday Island 27th Feb.)

Hollow ..... Canton Maru Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Hainphong ..... Daliu ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Straits ..... Kashima Maru Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Japan ..... Emp. of Japan ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5 p.m.  
 Manila ..... Kwangchow ..... Sun., Feb. 21, 9 a.m.  
 Bangkok via Swatow ..... Hozan Maru ..... Sun., Feb. 21, 9 a.m.  
 Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ..... Tjianroca ..... Tues., Feb. 23, 10.30 a.m.  
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ..... Hai Ning ..... Tues., Feb. 23, 2 p.m.  
 Swatow ..... Dayiken ..... Tues., Feb. 23, 5 p.m.

Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, and South America and Europe via San Francisco ..... Asama Maru ..... Wed., Feb. 24.  
 Registration ..... Wed., Feb. 24, 5 p.m.  
 Letters ..... Wed., Feb. 24, 8.30 a.m.  
 (Due San Francisco, 10th March)

Straits and Calcutta ..... Hosang ..... Wed., Feb. 24.  
 Parcels ..... Wed., Feb. 24, 9 a.m.  
 Letters ..... Wed., Feb. 24, 10 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

Naldara ..... Sat., Feb. 27.  
 K.P.O.  
 Parcels ..... Sat., Feb. 27, 4.30 p.m.  
 Reg. .... Sat., Feb. 27, 9 a.m.  
 Letters ..... Sat., Feb. 27, 10 a.m.  
 G.P.O.  
 Parcels ..... Sat., Feb. 28, 5 p.m.  
 Reg. .... Sat., Feb. 27, 9.45 a.m.  
 Letters ..... Sat., Feb. 27, 10.30 a.m.  
 (Due Marseilles, 25th March)

Sandakan ..... Mausang ..... Sun., Feb. 28, 9 a.m.



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## BRITISH PREMIER.

## A TALK WITH GENEVA DELEGATES.

London, Feb. 16.  
An important bedside conference on the foreign situation was held at the nursing home where Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is recovering.

The distinguished patient has had lengthy talks with Sir John Simon, Foreign Secretary, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, leader of the House of Commons, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Dominions Secretary, and Lord Hailsham, Secretary for War, who are shortly leaving for Geneva.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

## Further Opinions.

London, Feb. 16.  
The Disarmament Conference at Geneva was continued to-day, when the first speaker was Senor Bosch, former Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs, who appealed for the abolition of any land, naval and air forces which by their nature were intended for aggression.

He also urged the Conference to draft a Convention containing articles to prevent trading in war material.

M. Motta, the Swiss President, supported all methods of prohibiting aggressive war, or use of chemicals and bombing of civilian populations.—*British Wireless.*

## LARGE ENGLISH MAIL RECEIVED.

## SIBERIAN ROUTE NOW ALL CLEAR.

Included in the large consignment of mail aboard the M.M. liner Athos II, which arrived yesterday morning from Shanghai, were 61 bags of London mail via Siberia, despatched from London on January 19, 20 and 21. Sixteen bags of outstanding second class mail, including newspapers, which left London on January 18, were also received.

The Postmaster-General, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, stated yesterday that the route via Siberia was now clear, and no further delays were anticipated. No trouble was now being experienced with the arrival and despatch of Shanghai mail, a large quantity of which was also received per the Athos II.

For the present individual parcels only were being despatched from Hongkong to Shanghai.



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## WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## A FEW OF THE LATEST ACCESSORIES.



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## OUR SIMPLE CHILDREN.

[By A Father.]

The child mind is simple. One word, one thing, is its rule. I asked Elizabeth at ten if she would like a little cake, to be answered with a vehement "No!" Surprised at what was sudden dislike for a hitherto favourite luxury, I sought a reason—and got it.

"I want a big piece!" she cried tearfully. Within its own sphere the single-minded, simple logic of children is unimpeachable. It can make of even infantile authentic a perfect work. After much labour we have succeeded in persuading Archie, aged nearly three, that to eat wind-falls from the orchard involves acute internal disturbances. Elizabeth, now in her first term at school, brought home a problem which, possibly because it concerned apples, had fascinated her, though indeed its form suffered during its passage from school.

"If I had five apples and gave you three, what would that be?" Archie was undisturbed by the indefiniteness of the question. "Pain!" quoth he, with all the assurance of certain accuracy.

So works the child mind, captivated in its simplicity. But those who actually own children will shake their heads. They know the full and dark truth. The fact is that through the child's ingenuousness one catches frequent visions of the Old Adam.

Elizabeth is taken to Sunday School by Margaret, some years her senior, to whom we look for all details of times and requirements. Two Sundays ago, acting under instructions, we sent Elizabeth off with some fruit for the Harvest Festival; last Sunday, amid the throng of dressing, she informed her mother in a whisper:—

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It is even to be suspected that the Old Adam can actually prompt the child to use its literalness for purposes of sin. A year or two ago, Elizabeth developed a propensity for poking a surreptitious finger into tasty dishes. I caught her at it one day.

"If you touch that jelly again," I warned her severely, "you shall have none."

She fell. A quivering mass slithered on to the table under my eyes. "Now," I said, "you know what I said?"

"But, daddy," she objected in perfect sincerity, "I didn't touch it at all. Look, it was my spoon."

And so it was! So much for the simple, ingenious logic of children!

## TYPES OF INFLUENZA.

[By A Family Doctor.]

The commonest type is that in which a high temperature is the chief manifestation. Again and again I have seen this form ushered in on the first night by a severe nightmare. There is severe headache with aching, restless pains mainly in the back and down the limbs. An interesting and frequent symptom is great soreness of the scalp—nothing to see, but extreme discomfort on using brush or comb. The appetite is lost, the throat is sore and there is a dry cough, the eyes may be inflamed and the eyeballs very painful. The temperature usually remains up four to six days, and the patient is very weak.

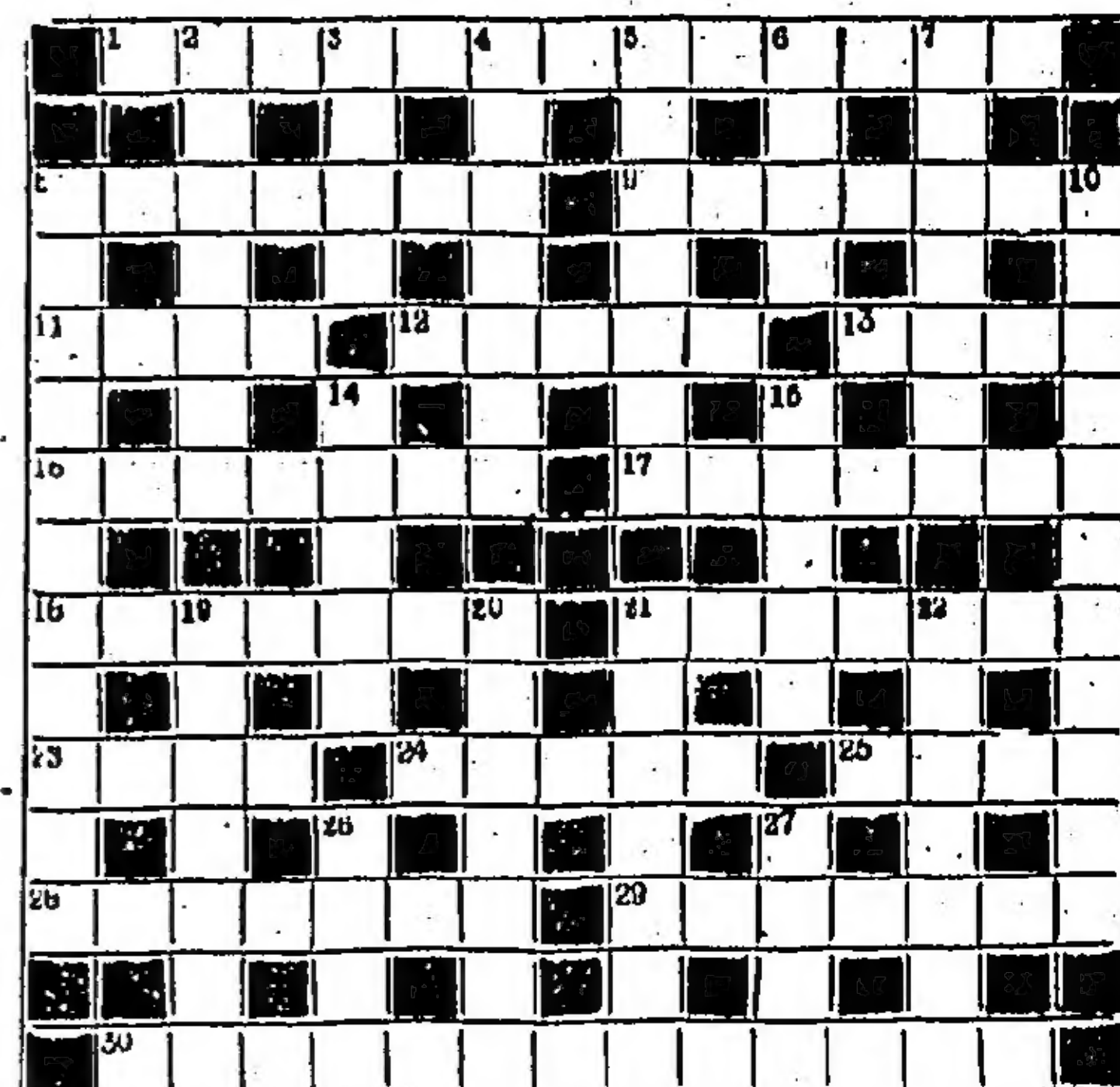
The gastric type is less common. Again the suddenness of the onset and the high temperature. But here the symptoms are vomiting, nausea and pain in the stomach, with diarrhoea. In the epidemic, especially the great ones, the so-called respiratory type of 'flu is perhaps the commonest. In this there is some throat, hoarseness, pain in the chest and a difficult, tight, painful cough. There is an acute bronchitis which is very liable to progress to pneumonia.

And, finally, in the great epidemics there is also the "malignant" type of the disease, which is almost invariably fatal. The patient is stricken down suddenly and utterly prostrated. There are no very definite symptoms for they have no time to develop, the patient succumbing to a generalised poisoning of his whole system. Fortunately, this form is comparatively rare.

## SOUTHERN SUNDAY.

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## OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



- Across
- "Think, stranger," about these old palindins (anag.).
  - Though not a classical passage, this appeals to the dentist.
  - You will have no difficulty in finding an Irishman in this Glasgow suburb.
  - This man knows how to bat.
  - Knock down.
  - Might, in short, be either a boy or a girl.
  - Lazy rascal!
  - One always may be sure of finding a servant in these public places, so why worry the agencies?
  - Drawn in and mixed up in this, I handle the whole thing.
  - Might describe a lover or only his clothes.
  - When in this the matter is still under consideration.
  - All we need at last—and that's slight.
  - Put this in front of me and take for granted.
  - One confidante about a shilling in such projects.
  - "Can't you see that notice, 'No Fishing Here'?" "Don't you—it. Look at these!"
  - A famous Welshman in the Middle Ages (two words).
- Down
- A chemical salt reminiscent of the fee for a trunk call after 7 p.m.
  - It takes a boy to be so happy.
  - Chattered.
  - A tent indeed.
  - Excellent, and not at all dense.
  - Nor in this.
  - Ornamented.
  - Scottish strait (three words).
  - Old Greek coins.
  - Nautical stop.
  - Used by the woodworker, as 23 saw.
  - An old maid.
  - The rightful Duke of Milan's slave.
  - Impure.
  - Here horses go up.
  - Hotch-potch.
- Yesterday's Solution.
- REVERBERATION  
CHIMNEY  
TENT  
SCOTCH STRAIT  
OLD GREEK COINS  
NAUTICAL STOP  
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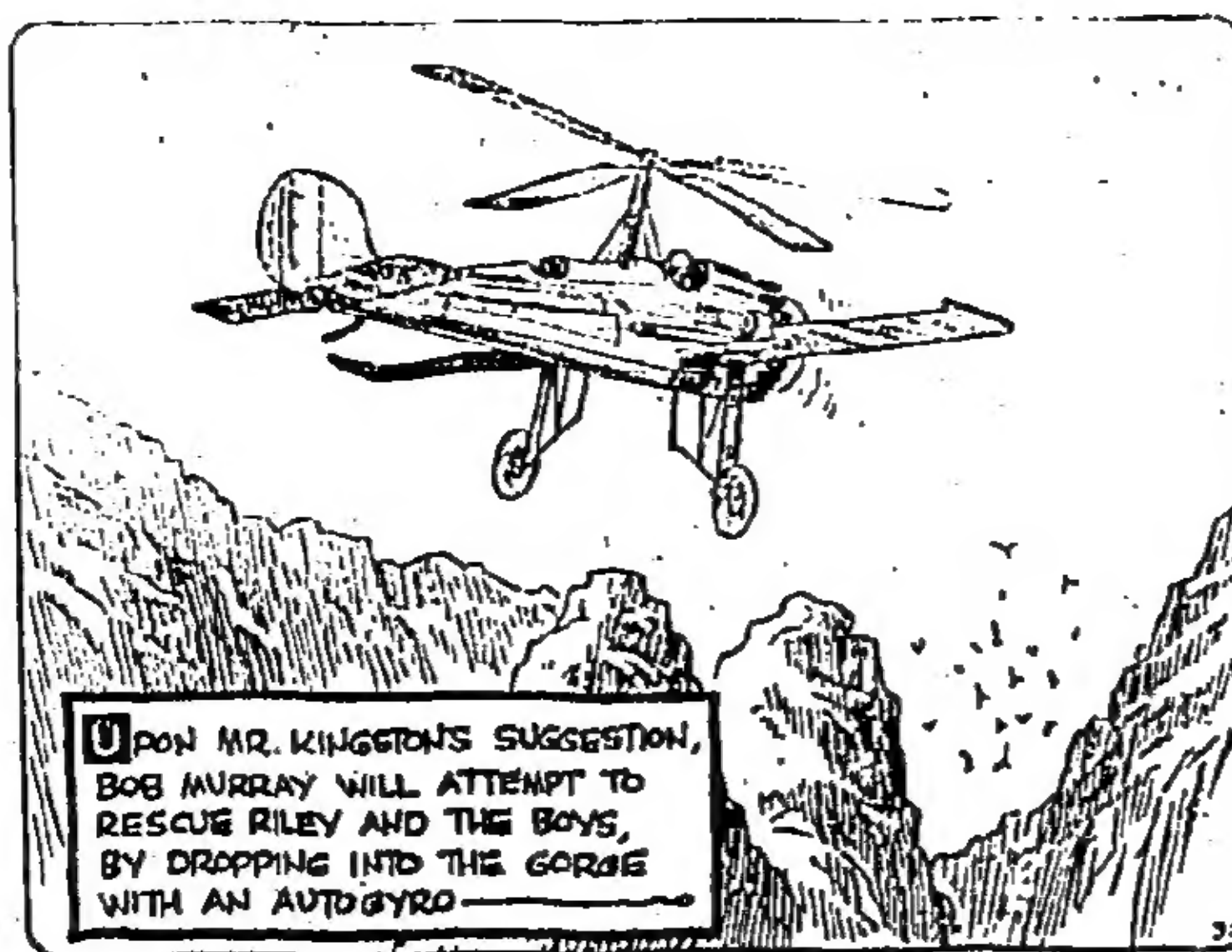
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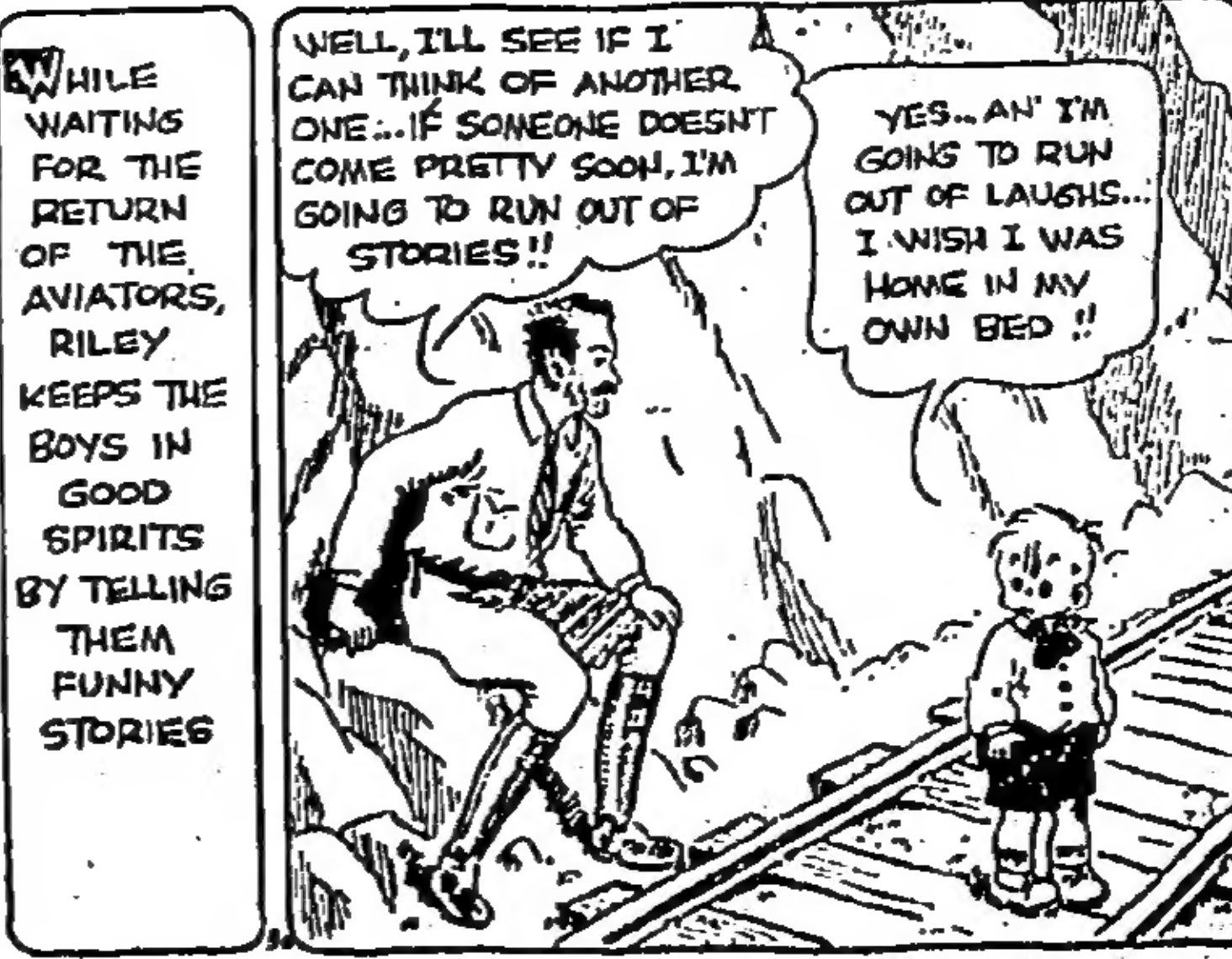
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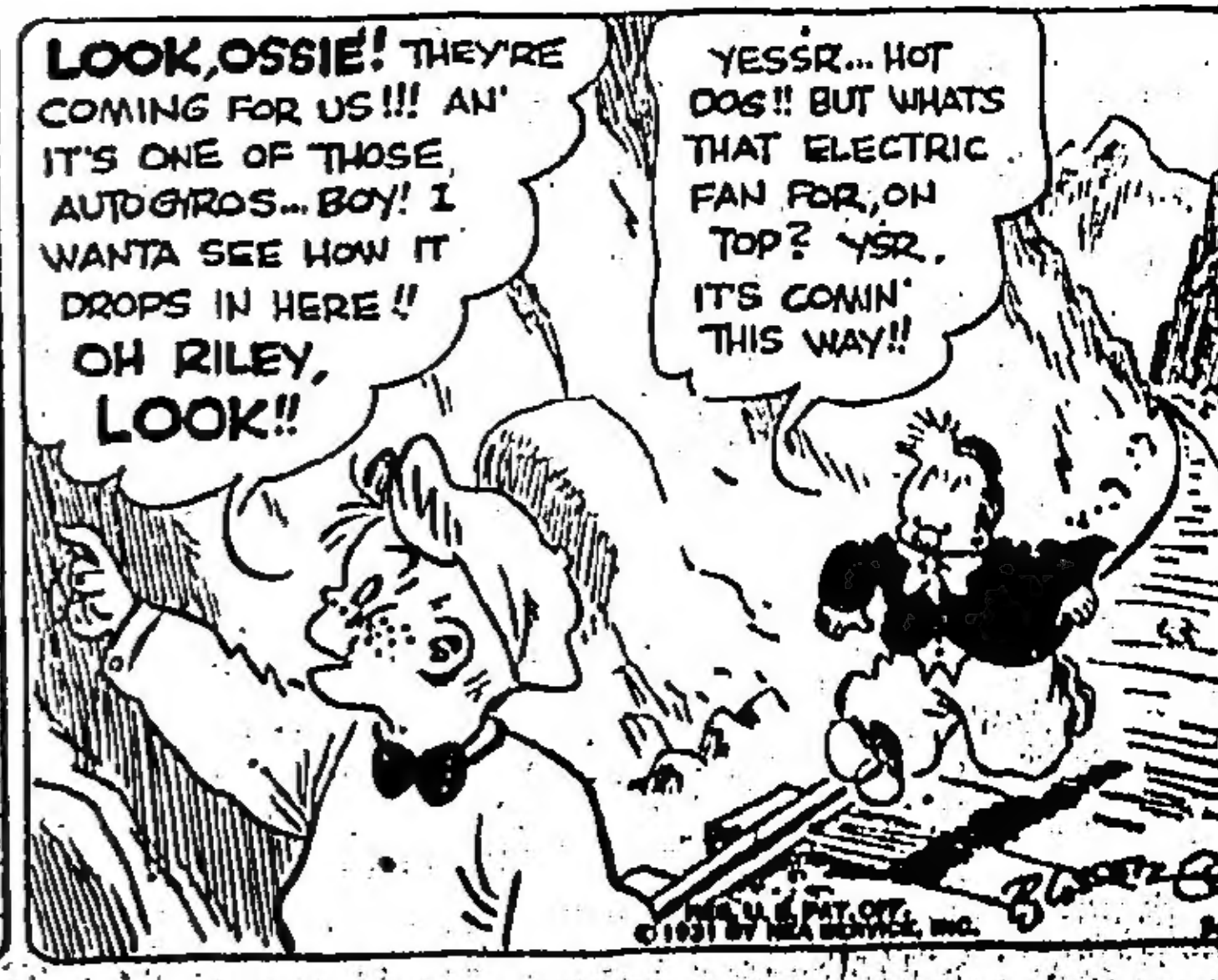
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1932

### CIVIC WORK.

"The year's work of your Com-  
mittee has not been without its  
quota of disappointments and  
problems unsolved, but something  
at least has been accomplished,  
and we are able to claim many  
improvements in the amenities of  
Kowloon as the result of our  
endeavours." In these modest  
words does the annual report of  
the Kowloon Residents Association  
summarise its activities for  
the past year. A glance through  
the text of the report, as well as  
the appendices which contain de-  
tails of the correspondence on an  
amazing variety of subjects, gives  
a far more vivid idea of the mat-  
ters which have been handled dur-  
ing the twelve months. With a  
record of more than ten years to  
its credit, the Kowloon Residents  
Association occupies a somewhat  
unique position. The general ex-  
perience in the past has been for  
new organisations to spring into  
being, blossom into prominence in  
the first flush of enthusiasm, then  
gradually languish and finally dis-  
appear. So far from this being  
the case with the K.R.A., it has  
gone on from strength to strength,  
until to-day it is a more "lively"  
and active body than at any time dur-  
ing the period of its existence.  
Its officers are men who have  
taken on a definite job of work,  
a job which has no end, and who  
show no signs of wearying in the  
self-imposed task. They are an-  
imated with one single aim—the  
improvements of the amenities of  
life across the harbour. In this  
work, all classes and races unite,  
thus demonstrating the spirit of  
concord in an essentially practical  
manner. All find a common plat-  
form in seeking to further com-  
munal well-being.

In the past year, the Association  
has continued to work on  
lines which past experience has  
shown to be wise. The committee  
does not set itself up in the role  
of expert grousers; rather in its  
policy one of taking note of de-  
ficiencies in civic matters, inves-  
tigating complaints from residents  
and, by means of co-operating  
with the authorities, seeking to

remedy genuine grievances. Work-  
ing along these lines, it has during  
the past year engaged itself in  
such matters as bathing, hospital  
and postal facilities, traffic issues,  
children's playgrounds, New Ter-  
ritories produce, police and fire  
protection, and a host of other  
subjects touching on the amenities  
of the mainland. The correspon-  
dence contained in the report  
shows that satisfaction has been  
obtained on the majority of these  
questions, much to the benefit of  
residents of the peninsula. One  
point which we are afraid is like-  
ly to be overlooked is the value of  
such an Association in offering ad-  
vice and suggestions to the Gov-  
ernment. These are based on ac-  
tual experience by those on the  
spot, men who know the needs of  
the community far better than  
Officials who can do. Many  
Government projects which may  
be admirably conceived often lack  
this background of personal ex-  
perience with the real necessities,  
and it is here that such an Asso-  
ciation as the K.R.A. is able to be  
of the utmost value both to the  
Government and the community.

When we look back over the his-  
tory of the Association, we can  
see ample evidence of its utility  
and of the results of its activities.  
Without such a body, the com-  
munity's complaints would merely  
be voiced in individual grumbling,  
leading nowhere and accomplish-  
ing nothing. In place of this, we  
have considered thought given to  
the problems of the peninsula,  
followed by appropriate action  
conducive to the community's  
welfare. A moment's cogitation  
along these lines should suffice to  
convince every resident of the  
peninsula of his duty in lending  
the Association every support.

English—an Oriental Language.

Remarkable to some of our tour-  
ist visitors is the fluency with  
which the Chinese express them-  
selves in English. It is not realis-  
ed until they have been here for  
some days that English has de-  
veloped into the second language.  
This is true not only of China but  
also of Asia; indeed, it may be  
called the continent's lingua fran-  
ca. A common tongue is neces-  
sary even within national limits.  
In Asia, India is the example  
most often used, but in China, too,  
the homogeneity of the country is  
tempered by a confusion of dia-  
lects. It is true that the written  
language of China has a nation-  
wide application, but often the em-  
ployment of writing is inconveni-  
ent, as, for instance, on a car or  
a bus, where it is not uncommon  
to see an educated Chinese  
conversing with the ticket collec-  
tor in pidgin English. In con-  
sequence of this demand for a  
medium of speech, the quest to  
learn English exceeds in eager-  
ness the pursuit of any other  
learning. In Hongkong, Shanghai  
and Japan enthusiasm knows no  
bounds. Lingular diversity is not  
the explanation in this case, but  
a realisation that English is the  
passport to business preferment  
in a world which is being steadily  
organized on a Western basis. On  
the theory that practice makes  
perfect, the Oriental neophyte will  
dash in where linguists fear to  
tread, with amusing results. The  
following letter—culled from a  
Chinese newspaper—which was  
sent to a foreigner by a Chinese  
business house, is a good  
example: "However by ex-  
planation of the facts and  
presentation of our company's  
certification, they could make free  
from holding and reach after two  
days. Hoping you would deduce  
the misreports of the newspaper  
caused you some trouble and  
ask us further in need." Even if  
he were told of his mistakes, the  
writer would not be nonplussed;  
instead, he would use the correc-  
tion as a spur to his gallant quest  
for progress until he had reached  
the fluency which is the subject of  
comment wherever Orientals come  
in daily contact with Occidentals.

A meeting of the Sanitary  
Board yesterday afternoon approved  
the form of notice submitted, pro-  
hibiting spitting in eating houses,  
and granted an application for the  
registration of a kiosk near No. 1,  
Wongneichong Road as a dairy.  
Other business was of a formal  
nature. Those present included Mr.  
G. R. Sayer (Chairman), the Medical  
Officer of Health (Dr. G. W. Pope),  
Mr. Wong Kwong-kin, Dr. R. A. de  
Castro Basto, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy,  
Mr. J. H. Gelling (Secretary), and  
Mr. J. Hargreaves (Assistant  
Secretary).

## DAY BY DAY

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a most successful season in Shanghai,  
are now performing in the Rose Room  
at the Peninsula Hotel.

The President and Committee of  
the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home grate-  
fully acknowledge the receipt of a  
donation of £20 (at 1s. 5d. =  
\$270.42) from the ship's company of  
H.M.S. Kent.

The forthcoming marriage is an-  
nounced of Mr. Robert Walter Lane  
of No. 8 Kilmecott Gardens, Shang-  
hai, and Miss Mary Anne Siorer, who  
is travelling out to Hongkong on  
board the s.s. Patroclus.

An extraordinary general meeting  
of the Kowloon Residents Association  
is advertised to be held in the St.  
Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on  
Friday, February 20, at 8 p.m. to be  
followed immediately by the twelfth  
annual general meeting.

A fisherman who was using  
dynamite for fishing off Sai Kung  
yesterday had his right hand badly  
injured and was taken to the Kwong  
Wah Hospital. The victim, Shok  
Chun, aged 25, was a member of  
the fishing crew on board boat No.  
1035 V.

Mr. W. C. Costin, who was a guest  
at yesterday's Rotary Club luncheon,  
is a Fellow of St. John's College,  
Oxford, and is at present travelling  
under a Rhodes Scholarship. He was  
a member of the British Group who  
attended the recent conference of the  
Institute of Pacific Relations. He has  
recently arrived in Hongkong from  
Japan and will travel home by way  
of Indo-China. He expects to be back  
in England about the middle of April.

Transferring from Kowloon to  
Wanchai, Harman's Circus last  
night gave their opening show on  
the new pitch to a large and thor-  
oughly appreciative audience. All  
the features contained in the programmes  
given in Kowloon were repeated with  
great success, and the articles were  
all vociferously received. There is  
no doubt that Harman's Circus  
will enjoy as successful a season in  
Hongkong as it did on the Peninsula.

### SUGAR MARKET.

#### THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close  
of the sugar market yesterday has  
been received by Messrs. Pen-  
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London Terminals.  
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September 1.11 down 2 pts.  
December 1.16 down 3 pts.

## In the Citadel of Hitler.

By SISLEY HUDDLESTON.

MEDIAVAL Munich charmed  
me. I walked much in its  
old streets and across its cobbled  
squares and looked upon its  
Gothic buildings and ate in its  
low-arched cellars. Life in these  
ancient German cities, I thought,  
somehow does not change funda-  
mentally, and Henry the Lion, who  
founded Munich in the twelfth  
century, would not disown modern  
Munich.

"Let us," said my companion,  
"go to Hitler's meeting to-night."  
And then I wondered whether  
Henry the Lion, after all, would  
approve of modern Munich. For  
I remembered that just as Camille  
Desmoulins had jumped on a table  
in a Paris cafe and by crying "To  
arms!" had started the French  
Revolution, so Hitler, a few years  
ago, had tried to start his putsch  
in a Munich cafe. "A quiet Old  
World city," my companion had  
told me; but do things like that  
really happen in quiet Old World  
cities?

Hitler had failed, but his failure  
was the foundation of his success.  
His movement, which now tries to  
keep within the law, but is never-  
theless directed against authority  
as at present constituted, has  
grown enormously; there are 60,  
000 Germans who will vote for his  
candidates and there are 107 Hit-  
lerites elected to the Reichstag.  
But Hitler has always remained  
faithful to the Bavarian city of  
Henry the Lion, and here is his  
citadel.

I had seen his headquarters,  
Hitler House, as it deserves to be  
called; I had watched him and his  
lieutenants at work; but now I  
was proposed that I should see  
him, surrounded by his bodyguard,  
arousing by passionate speech by  
enthusiasm of a vast crowd. Yes,  
that was the Hitler I wanted to  
observe; not Hitler the organizer,  
but Hitler the orator.

"It's in a working-class district,"  
remarked my companion; "and if  
there are Communists there may  
be trouble." It is true that at  
Berlin and in other large cities  
there have been fights between  
Communists and National Social-  
ists as the Hitlerites are designat-  
ed; but at Munich, at Munich the  
quiet Old World city, such violent  
events were almost unthinkable.

So we went, and our optimism  
was justified. Rarely have I been  
present at a more orderly, a more  
attentive, a more earnest public  
meeting. Imagine one of those  
large halls in which Germans  
gather to eat, talk, read the news-  
papers, listen to music—a vast un-  
broken floor space without nooks  
or corners, an immense oblong  
which the eye can survey at a  
sweep. This floor space was cov-  
ered with long tables at each of  
which two dozen persons could  
sit themselves; for the German  
is nothing if he is not gregarious,  
and does not ask to sit by himself  
or to be put out of view.

Thousands of us were waiting  
for Adolph Hitler. In the mean-  
time we were consuming pump-  
nickel and cheese, or munching  
pretzels. We would continue to  
nibble at our pumpnickel and our  
pretzels even when Adolph the  
Lion was roaring.

Everywhere the swastika.  
These hook crosses were conspicu-  
ous on the walls, on the platform,



"I never seen such a dull town. Why, back in the village  
there wasn't a minute the boys weren't up to something in-  
teresting."

on flags stuck on tables, on the  
brassards of the Hitler Army.  
Ranged round the room were the  
members of the army; clad in  
khaki shirts, bolts, knickerbockers,  
leather leggings. They were of  
two sorts; the storm troops which  
would keep order and be ready  
for any fray; and the protective  
guard of Hitler himself. They  
were distinguished from each  
other by the colour of their caps.  
There was no need for their in-  
tervention. The company sat  
silent, listening with all its ears,  
anxious to learn, to understand.  
It hardly applauded; it was too in-  
tent on the arguments to applaud.  
This calm was not the calm of  
indifference; it was the calm of  
concentrated thought. I could not  
help contrasting the gravity of the  
German public with the exuberance  
of the French public. In France  
there would have been a roar of  
applause; here there was solemnity;  
in France there would have been  
noisy interruptions for and against;  
here there was deference and a  
desire for instruction.

I looked over the hall. Not a  
face that was not turned toward  
the speaker. Heads were thrown  
back with a rapt expression, or  
craned forward to catch every  
word. Hands lay folded in laps,  
or spread upon the tables, or  
pressed against foreheads. The  
audience was listening—and  
thinking. The speaker was the  
group leader. He spoke like a  
soldier on parade; he spoke at  
attention; he hardly stirred except  
to wipe his brow; and he went on  
with deadly seriousness. The  
pumpnickel and the pretzels were  
slowly nibbled.

But presently there is a commo-  
tion. The audience has risen to  
its feet. Its arms are raised in  
Fascist salutation, and from thou-  
sands of throats a cry is sent out.  
What is happening? We gaze  
down the central aisle, and there  
is a long procession coming slowly  
from the far-off entrance doors to  
the platform. It is Hitler, Hitler  
preceded and accompanied and  
followed by his troops. They  
march with heavy steps, which re-  
sound in the hall. Impressively,  
Tramp, tramp, tramp, they come;  
and now Hitler is abreast of me.

What stalwart young men they  
are, these troops! They appear  
proud of their functions; they  
carry themselves erect, with chest  
puffed out, with eyes front. And  
Hitler. He looks a little weary, a  
little bored, as he salutes, with a  
quick motion of the rising and  
falling hand, the eager spectators.

But see him now, on the plat-  
form. There stand by him on  
either side two sentinels in khaki  
shirts. They are perfectly still.  
Their heels are together, their  
bodies upright, one hand carefully  
placed on the seam of their knick-  
erbockers, the other on their belt.  
They stare straight before them;  
fixed rigid features, firm-set eyes.  
It must be hard to hold that at-  
titude for long, but they do not  
budge. After some time it may  
be a quarter of an hour—they are  
relieved. Two other young men  
step forward, salute, make a half  
turn, and the relieved picket aban-  
dons his post.

Flanked then by two sentries,  
Hitler speaks. He begins slowly,  
cautiously, but he warms  
to his work and is truly eloquent.  
It is an eloquence which is based  
chiefly on scorn, on sarcasm, on  
mockery. How he belabours the  
orthodox parties! How he makes  
even this stolid, attentive German  
audience laugh and cheer and be-  
come enthusiastic! It veritably  
feels that salvation for Germany,  
oppressed by unjust treaties, op-  
pressed by non-German financiers,  
oppressed by speculators and in-  
sincere politicians, is to be found  
in a revival of Germanic con-  
sciousness. These folk have suf-  
fered, they have passed through  
war, through revolution, through  
inflation, through unemployment;  
and they are ready to blame every-  
body, at home and abroad, who  
has participated responsibly in  
the successive events.

Hitler is curious to watch. He  
is dressed in black, which empha-  
sises his aloneness; he dances  
backward and forward; he bows  
and leans sideways with grace;  
he moves his arms like a baller-  
ina; he is indeed a master of de-  
portment—almost, one would say,  
a dancing master. He is on tip-  
toe; his knees are bent; his foot  
flashes as he takes a step and then  
another step. As for his face, it  
is strangely mobile; there is scorn  
in that sudden setting of the jaw;  
the eyes, which turn frequently,  
and show the white, are rather  
dull, but they convey humour, in-  
dignation, and aspiration by their  
rolling.

And his voice is excellent; it is  
deep and rich and changing; it is  
mostly grave, and now and again  
shrill; it takes on all inflections.  
We . . . out to smash party  
the German people must  
(Continued on Page 2.)





Photos show a wounded Japanese marine being brought in by Red Cross men in the recent operations outside Shanghai.

## A VLADIVOSTOK INCIDENT.

### TWO JAPANESE ARRESTED.

Riga, Feb. 16. A great military revival campaign is being organised by the Soviet Government in connexion with the celebrations of the fourteenth anniversary of the establishment of the Red Army, beginning on February 20.

The official programme for the festivities dwells upon the dangers in the Far East and the intention to prepare to defend Soviet territory against aggression.

The Soviet newspapers now publish the story of an incident in which two Japanese were involved, at Vladivostok on January 17, when the Soviet military arrested Mr. Sakabe and Mr. Sosenza Migoto, both secretaries in the Japanese Consulate, for attempting to gain access to the Dalmatoid Works.

Both have since been released. *Reuter.*

## VIOLATIONS OF COVENANT.

### NO RECOGNITION BY LEAGUE.

Geneva, Feb. 16. After a long discussion, the League Council decided to adopt Sir John Simon's suggestion that another appeal be made to Japan to refrain from hostilities.

The meeting of the Council lasted from five o'clock until 6.30. It was decided to address an appeal forthwith to Japan, reminding her of her obligations under the League Covenant and urging a cessation of hostilities.

The appeal was communicated to the Japanese delegation this evening and will be published tomorrow.

It is two pages long and covers much the same ground as the declaration of the President read at the last meeting of Council, and refers to Article Ten guaranteeing the territorial integrity of members of the League, pointing out that no violation could be recognised. *Reuter.*

## DUCE'S DAUGHTER IN SHANGHAI.

### TELEGRAM TO THE POPE.

(Reuter's Special Service).

Rome, Feb. 16. The Pope has to-day received a telegram from Signor Mussolini's daughter, Edia, and her husband, Count Ciano, the Italian Consul-General in Shanghai.

The telegram is the sequel to a special inquiry by the Pope for news of the Countess Ciano, during his recent audience with Signor Mussolini, when he assured Edia of his daily prayers on her behalf.

## "BIG SWORDS" IN SHANGHAI.

### STREET FIGHTING TO-DAY.

Shanghai, Feb. 17. Judging by the Japanese preparations it would appear that they will commence their general offensive from districts north of Kiangwan Road. Chinese sources state that thousands of Japanese soldiers are taking up positions in the trenches which are only a few hundred yards from the first Chinese defensive line. A resumption of street fighting in this district is considered inevitable to-day. No further attempt has been

## BRITISH TARIFF MEASURE.

### PASSES ITS SECOND READING.

#### BANKER'S VIEWS.

London, Feb. 16. The House of Commons to-night defeated an Opposition Labour motion for the rejection of the Import Duties Bill by 461 votes to 73. The Bill was given a second reading.

During the debate, Sir Robert Horne welcomed the fact that it provided a means of retaliation against any country which discriminated against Britain, and said the Bill would bring freer trade than this country had enjoyed for the last two generations. It was a measure on which could be built a scientific system, which would be formed by the proposed Advisory Committee.

Dealing with the list of exempted goods, he suggested that a fair criterion to apply would be that if Britain and the Empire together or separately did not produce enough to supply the needs of British manufacturers, then *prima facie*, at least, the commodity concerned should be exempted from duty.

Coal Duty in France.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, stated that the French Government had informed Britain of a decision to exempt British coal from the imposition of the 15% surtax.

The question of the application of the surtax to other goods remained for further consideration. The announcement was greeted with cheers, and a Conservative member observed: "Is not this the first illustration of the result of our tariff policy?"

Answering various questions, Mr. Runciman said it is the Government's intention to continue to use the powers they had under the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties Act, if it became necessary to do so, although he could not indicate what might be included in any future order. *British Wireless and Reuter.*

## BALANCING THE BUDGET.

### THE LATEST FIGURES SATISFACTORY.

London, Feb. 16. The weekly Exchequer receipts issued to-night are again highly satisfactory.

Last week's revenue amounted to £33.7 millions, and as expenditure was only £28 millions, the surplus on the week totalled £25.7 millions. This reduced the deficit during the week from £100 millions to £74.3 millions. The deficit last year at the present date was £98 millions.

Income tax and surtax receipts continue satisfactory. The revised Budget contemplated a total from these sources of £345 millions, of which £265.5 millions had been received up to Saturday. Thus £79.7 millions remain to be collected before the financial year ends on March 31st, whereas last year the amount outstanding at this date was £115 millions.

Since January 1st, the Exchequer has received £167.5 millions, compared with £111.5 millions in the corresponding period of last year from these sources.

Customs revenue is also showing a weekly increase and £13 millions more were received than at the same date last year. *British Wireless.*

## IDLE SHIPS.

### 56,000 BRITISH SEAMEN UNEMPLOYED.

Over 56,000 British seamen of all grades are unemployed. This figure, which comes from the annual report of the Shipping Federation, represents 35 per cent. of the seamen of the country.

The unemployment cannot be attributed to high freights which are 7 per cent. below the 1913 level, while operating costs are 70 per cent. more.

One sixth of the British mercantile marine is laid up. Shipping, adds the report, is in an acutely critical condition.

Masters of vessels trading to the Black Sea, it is stated, report active interference with crews by Bolshevik agents, who induce the men to visit the so-called International Clubs. In some cases this has had a disturbing effect on discipline. In regard to German vessels, the crews in several cases were induced to mutiny at Leningrad, in consequence of the arbitration award reducing seamen's wages in October.

## DEFENDANTS FAIL TO APPEAR.

### FISHERMAN HOLD UP SESSIONS.

#### BRIBERY CHARGE.

Two fishermen, Lam Hoi-yip and Lam Hoi-ko, failed to appear on bail at the Criminal Sessions this morning to answer a charge of offering a bribe of \$50 to Inspector G. A. Stimson at Aldridge Bay, Shaukiwan, and the case was adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. Hin Shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. Hall, appeared on behalf of the defendants and Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith attended for the Crown.

To Mr. Justice Lindsay, Mr. Lo said the defendants were not in court because unfortunately they had left the harbour to go fishing. He asked his Lordship to appreciate the position and to adjourn the case to a convenient date. He had advanced the second defendant to plead guilty to the charge and the first defendant to plead not guilty, and he felt sure both men fully appreciated the position before they left for their fishing.

Mr. Whyte Smith, in reply to the judge, said that he did not wish the defendants' bail to be estimated as he thought it would impose rather a severe hardship.

His Lordship decided to adjourn the case until to-morrow to give time for the men to return, but intimated that the proceedings would be held over until the next Sessions.

## CHINKIANG AFFAIR.

### CLASH ON WATERFRONT.

Nanking, Feb. 17. The Foreign Ministry is negotiating with the Japanese Consular authorities for the settlement of an incident at Chinkiang where some Japanese marines clashed with the Chinese soldiers.

The Japanese naval commander communicated with General Ku Chai-tung, demanding a personal apology from the Chinese commander and compensation.

The ultimatum expired yesterday and the Japanese commander is threatening to take action to obtain satisfaction. Nanking officials are endeavouring to settle the incident with the Japanese Consul in Nanking. The situation in Chinkiang is critical. *Reuter.*

## SAVED LIFE OF GOVERNOR.

### A KNIGHTHOOD FOR BRAVERY.

London, Feb. 16. H.M. the King has been pleased to approve the conferment of a Knighthood on Lieutenant Colonel Hassan Suhra Wardy, Vice-Chancellor of Calcutta University, who was largely instrumental in saving the life of Sir Stanley Jackson, Governor of Bengal, when an attempt on his life was recently made by a girl student. *British Wireless.*

## PREMIER'S GOOD PROGRESS.

### LEAVING NURSING HOME TO-DAY.

London, Feb. 16. The Prime Minister will probably leave the nursing home to-morrow, having made good recovery from his operation.

He may attend the usual Wednesday Cabinet meeting, and will remain in London for a few days before leaving to take the three weeks' rest ordered by his doctors. *British Wireless.*

## THAMES STRIKE TO END.

### RESUMPTION EXPECTED TO-MORROW.

London, Feb. 16. The strike of Thames lightermen and tugmen is expected to end as the result of negotiations proceeding between the men and employers.

Work will in all probability be resumed on Thursday morning. *British Wireless.*

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts have received a cable from their Shanghai office stating that the Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd., are paying a final dividend of T\$1.35 per share (making T\$1.95 for 1931) and carrying forward to next year's account T\$1,000,000.

## RADIO BROADCAST

### EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A. DEBATE RELAY.

By Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).  
5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.  
6.00-6.30 p.m. Children's Programme.  
7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme.  
7.00 p.m. Mail Notice, etc.  
7.05-7.30 p.m.

Musical Comedy and Talkie Tunes.  
King of Jazz-Selection.  
Regal Cinema Orchestra. DX72.  
Funny Face-Tell the Dog.  
Leslie Henson and Male Quartet. 9502.

Folly to be Wise-Selection.  
Percival Mackey and His Band. DX219.  
Rio Rita-I'd Rather Have a Memory of You.  
Geoffrey Gwyther and Edith Day. DX64.

7.30-7.50 p.m. From the Studio.  
Mrs. H. M. Broadbent will conclude her lecture on "Twenty Years in Burma".  
8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).

7.50-8.12 p.m. Octets.  
Second Movement from "Symphonie Pathétique" (Tschalkowsky arr. Robertson).  
Scene de Ballet (de Berlioz arr. Sear).  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 9825.  
Putting the Clock Back (arr. Squire).  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. DX08.

8.12-8.33 p.m.  
Ma Mere L'Oye (Mother Goose) (Ravel).  
Walter Damrosch conducting the New York Symphony Orch. 9516-9518.

8.33-9.00 p.m. Variety.  
An Old Time "Sing-Song".  
Descriptive with Charles Coburn in the Chair. DX21.  
Song-If Winter Comes.  
Billy Bennett (Comedian). DX13.

Xylophone Duet.  
The Royal Pageant.  
The Famous Barnardo Musical Boys. 4494.

Descriptive Sketch.  
A Day's Broadcasting.  
Clapham and Dwyer. 4745.

9.00-10.00 p.m. (approx.).  
Relay of the Debate from the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon. The Motion—"That Modern Youth is Fulfilling its Responsibilities."

Speakers:  
Mr. E. F. Silk.  
Mr. A. R. Brown.  
Mr. T. J. Price.  
Mr. W. J. Kenton.

10.00-10.18 p.m. Orchestral.  
Schubertiana (Schubert arr. Finck).  
Herman Finck and His Orch. 9480.  
Tschalkowskiana (arr. Hand).  
Paul Whiteman and His Orch. 9470.

10.18-10.30 p.m.  
Rugby Mid-day Press News and Board of Trade London Letters.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.  
All Columbia Records in the above European Programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

## POST OFFICE REFORM.

### STATEMENT BY SIR KINGSLEY WOOD.

Sir Kingsley Wood, the Postmaster-General, recently received a deputation from Post Office staff associations, who presented a statement in reply to recent criticisms of the Post Office services, and to the memorandum submitted to the Prime Minister by Lord Wolmer on behalf of a number of Members of Parliament.

The Postmaster-General, in reply, said that the matter was obviously one for the Prime Minister and the Government to decide—If and in what manner the whole question was to be approached. He observed that the Unions themselves had stated, while opposing fundamental changes, that in the Post Office there might be still room for further decentralisation and greater scope for development.

While Major Atlee—P.M.G. in the Socialist Government—had gone further, and advocated much more freedom from Parliamentary control.

All these matters would have to be taken into account by the Government in arriving at their decision, and he would place the views of the Unions before the Prime Minister.

It is notified that the parcel post service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

Convicted on a charge of stealing two slabs of paraffin wax from the Kowloon Godowns yesterday, a coolie was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Inspector Eliot stated that the defendant was employed at the godowns and has just finished work on a ship when he was seen with the wax hidden under a jacket.



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## STARVATION TOWN.

### THE DOGS EATEN.

Vienna, Jan. 13. The upper Austrian town of Steyr, once the flourishing centre of the iron industry, is now a town of starving unemployed, hungry, beggars and underfed children. It has been reduced to this condition by the discontinuance of the production of small arms since the war, the ban on the exportation of motor-cars and cycles to neighbouring States, and the general economic crisis.

A large part of the population of 22,000 is compelled to live on begging, and the bankruptcy of the town is imminent.

Instances of charitable institutions are allowed to leave the homes on Fridays when they go begging from house to house.

Among the beggars are an ex-vice-burgomaster and former merchants and manufacturers.

Children have founded begging organizations, while adult beggars have divided quarters of the town among themselves, so that collisions are avoided.

Families of as many as 12 are living in one-quarter room, lying on straw, without bed-clothes.

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## YOUNG CHINESE GOOD FORM.

E. C. Fincher negotiated his  
first hurdle in the current open  
men's singles tennis championship  
yesterday when he defeated K. H.  
Wong with the loss of one game.  
The match offered little of  
interest to the spectators, though  
a big "ring" surrounded the court  
to watch the exchanges.Tsuai Wai-pui, one of the most  
promising of the young Chinese  
competitors, was never extended  
against S. A. Gray, though he  
showed enough of his form to  
suggest future success. He will  
probably meet H. D. Rumjahn in  
the third round and should win  
in which event he would in the  
following round oppose E. C.  
Fincher. This will probably prove  
Fincher's steepest proposition be-  
fore the quarter finals.H. D. Rumjahn was far from  
physical fitness when he took the  
court yesterday, but he won with  
ease against his less experienced  
opponent, D. D. McKay, though  
the latter revealed a pleasing style  
and a knowledge of the game  
which should serve as an excellent  
basis for future improvement.Only three matches in the first  
round now remain for decision,  
and they are included in this  
afternoon's programme. If the  
weather holds good there is every  
prospect that the first and second  
rounds in the competition will, for  
the first time, be completed in the  
opening week of play.

The results in detail were:

Open Singles.

(First Round).

E. C. Fincher beat K. H. Wong

6-1, 6-0.

Lee Wai-toot beat G. W. A. Tufton

6-0, 6-3.

F. Grise beat P. C. Koh 6-2, 6-4.

Tsuai Wai-pui beat S. A. Gray 6-1,

6-0.

G. Lai beat C. E. Holmes 6-3, 6-6.

H. D. Rumjahn beat D. D. McKay

6-1, 6-3.

Today's Programme.

No. 1 Court: Lee Wai-toot v. J. G.

Locky.

No. 2: A. V. Gosano v. Yew Man-  
kit.

No. 3: H. N. Lee v. Lu Tak-chouk.

No. 4: J. A. E. Cassamboy v.  
E. T. E. Nash.No. 5: S. A. Rumjahn v. H. N.  
Chau.

No. 6: L. T. Ride v. A. H. Harkins.

No. 7: T. C. Monaghan v. Tsui  
Yun-pui.

No. 8: E. W. Railton v. M. K. Lo.

No. 9: A. L. Sullivan v. F. D.  
Pereira.

## SERVICES CRICKET.

R.A.S.C. DEFEAT THE  
MEDWAY.Playing at Sookunpo yesterday  
afternoon, the R.A.S.C. defeated a  
team from H.M.S. Medway by three  
wickets. Batting first, the naval  
team made 78 against some steady  
bowling by Whitley, who took four  
wickets for 22 runs and Gray, who  
claimed three victims for 23 runs.The R.A.S.C. passed this score for  
the loss of seven wickets, Whitley  
giving an all-round performance by  
scoring 46 runs. Scores:

H.M.S. Medway.

E. R. A. Manwaring, b. Whitley 11

E. R. A. Varley, b. Gray 13

E. R. A. Spiers, b. Whitley 11

P. O. Scott, c. Keene, b. Whitley 1

L. Mills, c. Funnell, b. Gray 25

S. R. A. Pooley, c. Keene, b. Kate 2

St. Sykes, b. Gray 2

Lt. Commr. Barry, b. Whitley 4

Lt. P. O. Hubbard, c. Buckland, b.  
Sadd 0Lt. Commr. King, c. Beresford,  
b. Kate 18

Tel. Austin, not out 8

Extras 11

Total 78

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Whitley 8 23 4

Gray 9 23 3

Kate 4 22 2

Lazenby 3 16 0

Sadd 2 16 1

R.A.S.C.

Gray, c. Spiers, b. Sykes 21

Sadd, c. Barry, b. Pooley 12

Keene, b. Pooley 1

Buckland, c. Hubbard, b. Pooley 4

Kate, c. and b. Pooley 7

Whitley, b. Spiers 46

Crowder, b. Spiers 13

Funnell, b. Spiers 0

Lazenby, c. Spiers, b. Manwaring 0

Beresford, not out 0

Kandall, run out 0

Extras 11

Total 117

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Scott 4 15 0

Spiers 12 4 28 3

Pooley 9 28 3

Sykes 5 17 1

Austin 1 6 0

Manwaring 3 13 1

## FRIENDLY HOCKEY.

HONGKONG H.C. SECOND  
TEAM FOR MONDAY.The following will represent the  
Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI  
against the Radio Sports Club on  
the Club ground on Monday at  
5 o'clock:—R. W. Spies, E. V. Reed,  
L. F. Nicholson, H. J. D. Lowe, E. G.  
S. Dale, J. B. Keeley, L. A. R.  
Duncan, S. Hill, W. A. Nowara, L.  
C. S. Robertson and S. J. H. Fox.

Signals Defeat Police.

The Mamak hockey tournament  
match between the Royal Corps of  
Signals and the Hongkong Police,  
played on the U.S.R.C. ground yester-  
day, resulted in a victory for the  
former by 4 goals to nil.SHANGHAI ON  
TIPTOES.AWAITING THE JAPANESE  
BIG PUSH.

## PLAN INDICATED.

Shanghai, Feb. 16, 4.30 p.m.  
Shanghai is waiting with ner-  
vous expectancy for the big offen-  
sive which the Japanese are ex-  
pected to launch on Thursday  
morning.While there is every indication  
that Chiang Kai-shek, who is at  
present in Nanking, is striving for  
a peaceful settlement, the adamant  
attitude of the Japanese military  
authorities and the pressure of  
less far-sighted Chinese leaders is  
forcing him to prepare for war.In this connexion five Chinese  
army corps are concentrating in  
the Shanghai-Nanking railway  
area with Marshal Feng Yu-  
hsiang as Commander-in-Chief of  
the forces in the field.The possibility is visualized  
that the Japanese forces, 20,000  
strong, after capturing Chapel,  
will find themselves confronted  
with 100,000 Chinese troops to the  
west of Shanghai in country where  
the Japanese are likely to be  
heavily handicapped by the ab-  
solute lack of roads and the fre-  
quency of tidal creeks impeding  
their movements, while the lightly  
armed Chinese troops have an in-  
timate knowledge of the country  
and being able to put up a desperate  
resistance to the Japanese attack.  
—Reuter.

## Japan's Policy.

Tokyo, Feb. 16.  
"Send all the men needed and  
withdraw as soon as the task is  
completed—that is my policy,"  
the War Minister is quoted as say-  
ing in connexion with the possi-  
bility of further reinforcements  
being required in Shanghai.While it is still hoped that the  
present force will be sufficient to  
drive back the Chinese 19th Route  
Army, if it refuses to withdraw  
voluntarily, officials are clearly  
worried, as they feel they are be-  
tween the devil and the deep sea.On the one hand they recognize  
the serious consequences if the  
Japanese meet with a reverse  
through an inefficiency of num-  
bers, while on the other they are  
anxious to avoid the despatch of  
further reinforcements owing to  
financial difficulties and the li-  
ability of increasing apprehensions  
abroad.In the meantime it is indicated  
that as the Japanese troops are  
unable to make a direct attack  
without endangering the Inter-  
national Settlement through arti-  
llery fire, they are likely to attempt  
an encircling movement, hoping  
thereby to compel the Chinese to  
withdraw through a threat on  
their line of retreat.—Reuter.

## A Melancholy Welcome.

Shanghai, Feb. 16, 4.30 p.m.  
The Japanese troops arriving on  
the last transport to reach Shang-  
hai had a most melancholy intro-  
duction to the war. As they  
streamed down the gangway in  
full fighting kit, coffins containing  
the bodies of their dead comrades  
were being hoisted aboard for  
shipment to Japan.The proceedings were watched  
by the sailors aboard H.M.S. Sut-  
folk, one of whom expressed the  
general sentiment by exclaiming:  
"We never would have done that."  
Enquiries at the hospitals in  
the Shanghai area reveal that  
3,500 Chinese war casualties, both  
soldiers and civilians, have been  
attended to since midnight of  
January 28.—Reuter.

## Still Appealing.

## Left to the Assembly.

The Council will hold a further  
meeting at 6 p.m., when a decision  
will be taken upon the text of the  
appeal as to whether the appeal  
shall be made.A public meeting of the Council  
is fixed for February 18, when a  
decision with regard to the special  
Assembly will be taken. It is also  
understood that as an appeal has  
now been made to a special meet-  
ing of the Assembly, the Council  
decided that it would be un-  
necessary to discuss the second  
report from the Shanghai Com-  
mission, as this should more pro-  
perly come before the Assembly.The Japanese delegation has  
received instructions not to object  
to the Assembly meeting, on the  
grounds of procedure, but to let  
events take their course.—Reuter.

## A Middle Course.

Geneva, Inter.  
The League appeal to Japan for  
peace was originated by Sir John  
Simon, who considered that now  
the peace efforts by the four  
Powers had resulted negatively, it  
would be desirable to make an  
appeal on behalf of the League.  
An animated discussion resulted  
from some members advocating aFELL SEVEN  
STOREYS.

## SOCIETY GIRL'S FATE

New York, Jan. 13.  
Miss Mildred Fisher, a 32-year-  
old society woman, said to be well-  
known in New York, London and  
Paris society circles, was killed  
to-day when she jumped or fell  
from the seventh-storey window of  
a friend's apartment house just  
before dawn.The police found letters and  
diaries, indicating that she had  
been depressed over losses on the  
stock market, and was "bored with  
New York men." She wanted to  
rejoin her gay European friends,  
but could not, as she was without  
funds.Mr. G. M. Fisher, her father,  
stated to-day that he had not seen  
his daughter since she ran away  
from home 15 years ago.Her diaries contain the names of  
many men and women in London,  
and of other society figures in  
European capitals whom the girl  
apparently knew intimately.HONGKONG SHARE  
MARKET.OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY  
STOCK EXCHANGE.Prices were further marked down  
this morning, and it is becoming  
increasingly clear that the local  
market is more and more being  
dominated by the unsettled situation  
in the North.

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## Sellers.

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Hotels (Old) \$13.60.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris.....	87.11/16	87 1/4
Geneva.....	17.11/16	17.15
Berlin.....	14.9/16	14.62 1/2
Oslo.....	18 1/2	18 1/2
Helsingfors.....	22 1/2	22 1/2
Athens.....	270	265
Buenos Aires.....	30 1/2	—
Shanghai.....	1/10.15/16	—
New York.....	3.46	3.46
Amsterdam.....	8.54	8.51 1/2
Vienna.....	32	32
Madrid.....	44.9/16	44.9/16
Bucharest.....	67 1/2	67 1/2
Hongkong.....	14 1/2	24.70
Brussels.....	24 1/2	—
Milan.....	65 1/2	64 1/2
Stockholm.....	17 1/2	17 1/2
Copenhagen.....	18 1/2	18 1/2
Prague.....	117	116 1/2
Lisbon.....	109 1/2	109 1/2
Rio.....	4.3/16	4.3/11
Bombay.....	1/6.5/32	—
Yokohama.....	2/0 1/2	—
Montevideo.....	31	—
Montreal.....	3.98	3.96
Silver (spot).....	19 1/2	—
(Forward) 19.13/16	—	—

— British Wireless.

IN THE CITADEL OF  
TITLOR.

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help themselves... No, No,  
and No!... our greatness...  
unity and equality... So  
he goes on, and the mesh of hair  
falls across his forehead, and now  
the people are shouting approval.  
He has stirred some resounding  
chord in the German breast.A few of the troops line up,  
and with heavy tread, Hitler in  
their midst, they march down the  
hall, past cheering table after  
table, and hands shoot up and  
voices cry "Heil" and a section of  
the German people thinks it has  
found its hero and its champion.  
Will that section be disillusioned?strong line, while others were of a  
more conciliatory spirit.The committee which will draft  
the appeal has been instructed to  
steer a middle course.Several members of the Council  
of Twelve favoured the inclusion  
in the appeal of a warning, based  
on Article X of the Covenant, and  
similar to the recent American  
Note, namely that no territorial  
changes will be recognized by the  
Council.—Reuter.

## Swiss President's Appeal.

London, Feb. 16.  
At the Disarmament Conference  
meeting, resumed to-day, the  
Swiss President, M. G. Motta,  
made a strong appeal to all  
members of the League and to the  
United States, to make use of the  
Covenant of the League and the  
Paris Pact in a final effort to  
restore peace in the Far East.  
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## THE HISTORICAL NOVEL.

LECTURE TO ENGLISH ASSOCIATION.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern presided at a very well attended meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the English Association, which took place yesterday evening in the Helena May Institute. The Chairman, after the minutes of the last meeting had been read and confirmed, introduced the lecturer, Mr. N. H. France, Reader in History at the University of Hongkong, who gave a very witty and interesting address on "The Historical Novel." Before the 18th century, Mr. France pointed out, there was no interest in history proper, and not many historians; of these the few serious ones were contemporary accounts of events, and the rest picturesque chronicles which showed no historical sense and were not the result of any careful investigation of the past. There was no attempt in pre-eighteenth century writings to get an historic atmosphere. In the early 18th century the only period of the past considered to be worth serious study was that of Greece and Rome; the rest was a mere interlude of barbarism. The interest in romance which rose during that century was one of the sources of the historical novel. The "Gothic" novel produced by Horace Walpole and Mrs. Radcliffe was its forerunner, but these writers made no attempt to give serious history; their novels were only picturesque, full of horror and elegant romantic sentiment. The historical novel, of which Scott's works may be said to be the first examples, made more serious pretensions to giving truth of history though it did not always do so.

Historical fiction which belongs to the literature of escape from the hard realities of life and as such is not of the greatest type of literature which never loses touch with reality, had, when it was first produced, tremendous popularity; industrial England was very drab and the "Merrie England" legend was born. The peaceful citizen found in tales of the adventurous and chivalric past a compensation for his own dull and peaceful existence. This kind of novel has always been romantic rather than realistic in its treatment of former ages but it is very difficult to write well. The problem of language has seldom been solved successfully. Some historical novelists, like Scott, rely on a reproduction, often exaggerated, of archaic speech which is not convincing, but on the other hand to use bright modern idiom as others do destroys the historical illusion. George Moore's "Eloise and Abelard" is probably the most successful in avoiding the difficulty as the writer's exquisite and formal style is in itself a little archaic and there is no attempt at realism in the conversations.

The history text book has been often compared unfavourably to the historical novel as being "dry stuff" and as not telling how people really lived, but Mr. France's own opinion of the value of the

## THREE KINDS OF LOVE.

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those heavy underarm dress shields, and they got sort of smelly, and that, probably, was why she used the perfume. It couldn't be told—the advertisement. Poor Mr. Redfern—if he could afford to advertise—Business was so slack, right now. She must insist, to-morrow, that he write again to that man in Seattle. Phil's voice was going on and on. Was Phil, perhaps, doing more than 7 his share of the talking. She listened.

"Roll! This stream of consciousness stuff—simpler at sin, whimsical and coy about wickedness! These young moderns, these worshippers of sophomoric sophistications, squirming their words about, wallowing in sexual discussions and portrayals—roll! You say they'll live? I say that they have never been alive. They've never yelled when the doctor spanked them. They're stillborn. They—"

"But see here," Barry interrupted. "My brief was for the stylized—modern, if you like, though Shakespeare—"

"Shakespeare," Phil seized it, as if Barry had stolen it, and shook it at him, "Shakespeare—"

Underneath Phil's low rolling words Cecily murmured to Ann, "Can't you stop him?"

That was too silly of Cecily. If she wanted anything stopped, why didn't she stop it? Stop her Barry, whose face was red and who looked almost angry. Phil was not angry at all. Phil was merely intense. He always grew intense when the subjects of sin and wickedness and sex came up. Phil, thanks to his mother's excellent training, was something of a Puritan, he said. Ann was glad of it. It made him clean minded, made him honor and respect women—except that well, that other sort. And he pitied them sincerely. He said that he did.

(To be Continued.)

historical novel in teaching was that actually it could give a little knowledge in a painless way, but it failed to give a true picture of the life and thought of the past. It tended to ignore unpleasant facts and led to unintelligent idealizing and a failure to see the past in true perspective. Historical fiction is like a fancy-dress ball, modern characters in antique clothing, for it is very difficult for anyone to-day to realise fully the thoughts and feelings of other ages and so make the characters live. Mr. France, after a brief survey of the writings of Scott, Ainsworth, Henty, Dumas and other writers of historical fiction, concluded that none of them had really written great literature. The historical novelist has to rely on actions rather than on character, for the source of his knowledge is not life but books; if his novel is good it is good as an adventure story. Finally why should anyone read or write historical fiction when there are novels in modern life, and English literature to reflect naturally and unconsciously the point of view and life of the past?

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self-consciously the point of view and life of the past.

A discussion followed in which Mr. Southern, Professor Simpson, Mr. Braine-Hartnell, and Mr. Charabot took part. After moving a vote of thanks to the lecturer, the chairman announced that at the next meeting, to be held in the Helena May Institute on Tuesday, March 1, at 5.30 p.m., Mrs. Southern would speak on "Hans Andersen." The meeting then adjourned.

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## HEADMASTER APPEALS TO PARENTS.

## AWARDS PRESENTED.

An appeal to parents to realize the necessity of interesting their children in things to stir their intelligence was made by Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, Headmaster of the Central British School, in presenting his report at the annual distribution of prizes at St. Andrew's Hall yesterday.

In presenting his report, Mr. Nightingale said in part: "The number of days, 208, on which the school was opened was greater than that of previous years owing to the adoption of summer hours during the summer months. The maximum number on the roll was 266 (239 in 1930).

The average attendance during the whole year being 211, (241 in 1929, 180 in 1930). The attendance was generally satisfactory, though there were many cases of sickness due to malaria, influenza and dengue fever. The school continues to grow, indeed, I can see no signs of slackening in the requests for admission to this British school.

An I anticipated in my report for 1930, I was obliged to form three classes of over 30 pupils in each, the alternative being the refusal to admit further British children, a step I am always very loth to take, but which may become necessary in the near future. The following figures are interesting: Average Attendance.—1919, 71; 1923, 105; 1927, 130; 1931, 211.

## Old Pupils' Association.

At the annual meeting, held in November, it was decided that the name of the Association should be changed and that it should be known in future as Central British Association. The roll of member-

ship has increased and a rugby section has been formed.

Of the three old pupils of the school studying at the University of Hongkong, Sheila Whitley successfully passed the B.A. degree examination in December. I have received gratifying news of distinctions gained by many of our old pupils who are at home Universities and Schools.

Audrey Hooford successfully passed into Bedford College, the results of her examination qualifying her for the Intermediate Science Certificate of the University of London. G. G. Edwards, our Cambridge 'blue', and J. Vickars at Liverpool are in their final year at the University. J. Tackell has just finished his school career and hopes to proceed to Cambridge in October next. R. A. Gervard has gained an International Rugby Cup, having played for England against the South Africans.

## School Magazine.

During the year we issued the first number of our school magazine edited by Miss Munro and Miss Corbin to whose enthusiasm the success achieved is due. We have now a school badge, the Hon. a school flag and a school motto, 'Honestas ante Honores.'

## University Examinations.

The results of the Examinations this year were very satisfactory. The Peace Memorial Scholarship, open under certain conditions, to all British boys resident in China, was awarded to A. H. S. Skinn, Form VI. The Examination being conducted by the School Certificate Syndicate of Cambridge University. This is the first time that the Scholarship, of the value of £1,350, has been won by a pupil of this school. We are all proud of this achievement and we shall follow Skinn's progress at Edinburgh University with great interest.

Of Form VI, five candidates successfully passed the Examinations of the University of Hongkong, four the Matriculation Examination, two gaining distinction in English and one, the Senior Local Examination. The Montargis Senior French Prize for Government Schools was awarded to Stella Bander. Of Form V eleven of the fourteen candidates on the school roll in November were successful gaining distinctions in English (3), Arithmetic, Scripture and Stenography (2).

At the Annual Examination of Forms IV-I the results were again satisfactory, 72% of the candidates gaining promotion to higher forms. The following figures show in a very convincing manner the increase in the number of children in these forms during recent years. In 1929, 109 children were examined, in 1930, 153, and in 1931, 180.

## Encouragement of Students.

I wish to stress here the advance that has been made at Central British School, in the study of English. We are continually adding to our English library for the realization that the basis for the acquisition of the power of clear, lucid thought and writing, is the encouragement of our young students to cultivate the habit of reading the best in literature. They are taught how to use books and tested, and many, both boys and girls, have begun to realize that their life at school is the beginning of a great adventure worth pursuing in a spirit of discovery. They are discovering the delights of literature, and reports of former pupils, here and at home, show that many have not lost this spirit of discovery but are putting

it into practice the industry and intelligence developed during their youthful career at school. To-day the things most wished for in any School are these qualities of industry, combined with intelligence. We can have industry without intelligence, but not intelligence without industry.

## Appeal to Parents.

I appeal to you who are parents, to realize how great to-day is the necessity that you should interest your children in things that stir a man's intelligence. You should co-operate with us, the teachers of your children for a few hours each day, and supplement our work in your homes. We teachers attempt the building up of character in our schools but much of it will be jerry-building unless we develop intelligent thought and in this task we ask, nay, demand, in the interests of the children, the fullest co-operation of parents and guardians.

In conclusion I thank all the donors of prizes, my Colleagues for their loyal co-operation and support, and the Vicar of St. Andrew's Church who so kindly gave us permission to use the Church Hall on this occasion. I wish also to thank you, Mrs. Southern, for honouring us with your presence here this evening and for so kindly consenting to distribute the prizes.

## A Happy Speech.

At the conclusion of the distribution of prizes a particularly happy speech was made by Mrs. Southern, who said that she did not altogether agree with the writer of a recent article, who said that prizes should be given to the exceptionally brilliant for outstanding work. Most of us go to school in order to get some solid equipment for life, and in this hard world girls and boys and all of us have got to get down to hard work if we are going to add to the prosperity of the State.

Mrs. Southern added that she still retained most vivid recollections of her first impressions of the school when she was a pupil and amongst those who had made a deep impression was Dr. Maud Hayden, who had recently written a most powerful book on "Peace." Mrs. Southern quoted an extract which was most apt in view of the deplorable happenings at the present time.

Mrs. Southern referred to the Scouts and Girl Guides, and said that she was glad to see that the Central School still retained the old enthusiasm. They were all very happy to see Mrs. Owen Hughes back again.

At the conclusion of her address, Mrs. Southern asked Mr. Nightingale if he would grant the children a holiday, a request that brought forth vociferous applause from the juvenile members of the audience.

A beautiful basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. Southern by Miss Bessie Stevens, and the National Anthem concluded the meeting.

## EXAMINATION RESULTS.

University of Cambridge School Certificate Examination.—A. H. S. Skinn, awarded the Peace Memorial Scholarship.

University of Hongkong Matriculation Examination.—S. M. Bander, distinction in English; M. Smalley, distinction in English; A. Miller; A. Dobry.

University of Hongkong Senior Local Examination.—I. Woolley;

## YOUNG AMAH FOUND GUILTY.

## STABBING INCIDENT ON THE PEAK.

Hearing was concluded yesterday of the case in which a young amah named Chau Sum was charged with the manslaughter of a cook at No. 112 The Peak.

After the case for the prosecution had been closed, the accused, in a statement from the dock, said that she did not mean to kill the deceased. She was holding the knife in her hand, and she only wished to threaten him so that he would not strike her.

No evidence was called for the defence, and after a short retirement, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a strong recommendation of mercy.

The Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) in sentencing the prisoner, said that he accepted the accused's statement that the killing was not intentional, and also in view of the recommendation of the jury, would pass a light sentence. Accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

The jury comprised Messrs. H. W. Pomeroy (foreman), J. Lee, J. A. Lindsay, Lam Ming-fan, Walter A. A. D'Arceve and B. A. Young.

University of Hongkong Junior Local Examination.—N. Annis; K. Clarke, distinction in Stenography; M. Clarke; M. Gardner, distinction in English; M. McCaw, distinction in English and Stenography; F. Bird, distinction in English; D. Gregory; V. Grunberg, distinction in Arithmetic; W. Maycock; J. Miller; J. Thirlwell, distinction in Biblical Knowledge; Montargis French Prize (Senior).—S. M. Bander.

Government Scholarships.—Form V J. Thirlwell; Form IV G. Rapp; Form III J. Booker; Form II W. Pryde; Form I I. Kempton; Form IR H. Farmer.

Government Prizes.—Form V D. Gregory; Form IV R. Jones; Form IIIA D. Harold; Form IIIB D. Taylor; Form IIA A. Mitchell; Form IIB A. Rabbit; Form IX H. Bunje; Form IB J. Jopling; Form IR D. Farrar.

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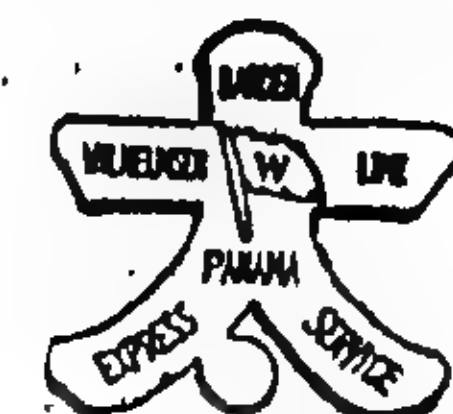
War Memorial Prize.—M. Smalley.

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In an Electric Hair Comb case concluded in the King's Bench Division, Mr. Justice Rowlatt awarded the plaintiff the £500 the latter had claimed on the ground that after ten days' use of defendants' comb his grey hair had failed to regain the blackness of his youth, as had been held out in the defendants' advertisement. The defendants had denied liability.

The plaintiff was Mr. Francis Arthur Wood, of Bronwen, Newlands-avenue, Raddle, Hertfordshire, and the defendants, Letrik Limited, of Milton-street, E.C.

Giving judgment for Mr. Wood for £500 with costs, Mr. Justice Rowlatt observed that claims of such a nature had been before the court for many years since the Catholic Smoke Ball Case.

It is quite clear, he added, that there is no reason in law why a person should not say to another, "I guarantee and I guarantee to have the effect I will have this comb." That is a perfectly good contract.

People were familiar with such contracts being made by means of advertisements of that character. If the conditions were complied with by the user of the article, it was simply a question of the meaning of the advertisement and proof of compliance with its terms.

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With regard to the £500 guarantee he had been asked to say that that was a mere flourish. "I don't think '£500 Guarantee' can be treated as a mere flourish," said Mr. Justice Rowlatt. "It must be treated as a really serious statement."

The defendants were bound by the advertisement. In other cases they inserted a coupon which explained that they only guaranteed the £500 as fortifying the repayment of the 3s. 6d. spent on the



A Japanese staff officer is here seen studying a map of the war zone in Shanghai.

comb. "That is perfectly futile and merely misleading," continued his Lordship, who pointed out that defendants did not put that coupon into the advertisement in the present case. The question simply was: "What did the advertisement mean?" It had been contended that there was no contract because it was impossible that the results promised could be achieved.

The Man in the Picture

If a man contracted to do a thing which, so far as all knowledge went, was obviously impossible, the contract was more nonsense. If a man contracted to go to the moon he was talking nonsense, and the law recognised no contract of that kind. In the present case the question was whether the contract was sensible, having regard to existing possible achievements well known to humanity. "I don't see why anybody should obviously think it is impossible for grey hair to take on its natural hue again," declared Mr. Justice Rowlatt.

Referring to the advertisement, his Lordship pointed out that there was a picture of a man named Martin, whose hair was very thin and grey, and "now, on the tenth day, the greyness has gone entirely and the hair is its natural brown. Not one comb has failed to do everything we claim for it."

To the ordinary man the advertisement meant, "You shall not have a grey hair left after ten days. If there is, there is £500 for you." "I don't know that one regards an action of this kind with very great favour," added Mr. Justice Rowlatt, but it is not my business to regard it with favour or disfavour. After all, here is a man who says: 'My hair will be turned to the colour of my boyhood, and if it is not, I will get £500. I will try it. I shall be very pleased to have my hair black again, especially as I am a very good-looking man.' I don't see why a man in all seriousness should not take up that attitude."

"Mr. Martin, of Forest Hill"

Possibly, numerous people could have come and said that the comb had made their hair grow brown again from the roots, though the plaintiff was saying it had not done that for him. The defendants might have called Mr. Martin, of Forest Hill, London, whose picture is in the advertisement, but they did not call him.

"Mr. Martin said the comb had done the trick. If they called such evidence I should certainly have doubted whether the plaintiff had gripped at the roots with his comb. As soon as the claim was made the obvious step for the defendants to have taken was to have asked for an inspection of the plaintiff's hair. That was not done. I cannot doubt that the comb failed in its operation."

A stay of execution pending notice of appeal was granted.

CHINESE ACTOR'S THEFT.

Ah Choy Chong (40), a Chinese actor, playing the part of a boy, in the "Painted Veil" at the Playhouse, was at Marylebone fined 40s. for stealing a watch and a ring, belonging to Mrs. Lydia Marshall, of Redhill-street, Regent's Park.

A detective said Mrs. Marshall visited an Englishwoman married to a Chinaman at Stanhope-street. The defendant had a room in the house, and Mrs. Marshall placed her coat in his room.

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A vivid picture of a Japanese aerial bombing raid in progress over Chapei. Three machines are shown in the air, while smoke is seen issuing from buildings set on fire.

## CHAPEI APPROACH ROADS UNDER HEAVY SHELL-FIRE.

ALIVE WITH CHINESE  
REINFORCEMENTS.

## ARTILLERY BATTLE RAGING.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 17, 11.45 a.m.  
THE OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS OPENED BY THE JAPANESE LAST NIGHT APPEAR TO BE LIMITED TO THE HEAVY BOMBARDMENT OF THE CHINESE POSITIONS, WHICH CONTINUES INCES-SANTLY, THE CHINESE REPLYING WITH ALL GUN RESOURCES.

Shells have been falling on the foreign and Japanese wharves at Yangtszepoo since four o'clock this morning and much damage has been done. One of the two ratings of H.M.S. Suffolk, who were wounded by the shell which hit Jardine's wharf, is reported to be in a serious condition. Shells are also dropping in the vicinity of Robinson and Gordon Roads.

There are rumours of a Japanese attack on Nantao to-night, giving rise to a more serious panic than occurred the other day, while it is reported that the Japanese military command have decided that they must be enormously reinforced before they can launch their infantry attack.

Sixty transports, carrying thousands of new men and more war materials, are reported to be on their way to Shanghai, and indications that more troopships are expected appear to lie in the revival of activity by the Japanese round Woosung Forts.

### WOOSUNG ACTIVE.

Some hundreds of Japanese troops left Yangtszepoo for Woosung at eight o'clock this morning. It is believed that the Chinese forces at Woosung are abandoning the Forts and concentrating in stronger defensive positions. Numbers of men were seen to be moving from the ruins of the Village yesterday afternoon. The place is still burning, two large fires sweeping through the buildings.

It seems that the Chinese at Woosung are evacuating their front lines, which they have held doggedly against every Japanese advance, but which have been heavily shaken up by constant shell-fire.

### NEW CHINESE LINE

They are retiring, it is understood, to a second and far stronger system of trenches, which they are now engaged in consolidating. It is learned that the men in the front line are being given a rest and that the defence of the new lines of trenches will be entrusted to another regiment of Chinese troops, which has not hitherto come into the fighting. The morale of the forces at Woosung is undoubtedly very high.

### CHANGHWAPANG.

Observers have been watching Changhwapang in the belief that this would be made one of the main Japanese objectives of attack. There are no indications that they intend to launch big scale operations in this region, however, although bridging materials are assembled in and around the railway workshops. Japanese mechanics have been



Another remarkable picture from the heart of the Chapei battlefield, showing a light gun in action. The immediate vicinity of the gun has its own story to tell.

## HEAVY CHINESE CASUALTIES.

NORTH STATION  
UNDER FIRE.

## TO-DAY'S HEAVY SHELLING.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Feb. 17, 12.04 p.m.  
Since five o'clock this morning, the Japanese artillery have been heavily bombarding the strongly held Chinese positions to the west of the North Station. Many casualties have been inflicted on the defenders, cover being difficult to find in this district, which has been laid in ruins by the successive bombardments. The Chinese guns are replying desultorily. It is expected that the Japanese guns will be swept across all the Chinese positions in turn before the order to advance is given. The Japanese are keeping their "zero hour" a close secret, but the heavy shelling of last night and to-day suggests that it is not far off.

## STOP PRESS.

The naval authorities in Hongkong issued the following communique this afternoon in regard to the wounding of two naval ratings from H.M.S. Suffolk:

"Able Seaman Prior and Able Seaman H. A. Francis, both of H.M.S. Suffolk, were wounded at 5 a.m. to-day by Chinese shell-fire. 'These men formed part of the guard at Hongkew Wharf. They are suffering from multiple shrapnel wounds, and their condition is regarded as critical.'"

## ULTIMATUM!

Tokyo, Feb. 17.  
Following Mr. Shigemitsu's intimation that hope has been abandoned of persuading the Chinese voluntarily to withdraw, the Japanese Government has authorized the presentation of an ultimatum warning the Commander of the Chinese 19th Route Army that the Japanese will be compelled to use force if he fails to withdraw twenty kilometres north-west of the International Settlement of Shanghai within a specified time. It is authoritatively stated that the ultimatum applies only to the 19th Army and not to Chiang Kai-shek's troops.—Reuter.

(Continued on Page 12.)

## Month's War Expected.

JAPANESE VIEW OF  
PROBLEM.

(Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Feb. 17, 10.40 a.m.  
It has been ascertained that the Japanese have landed fifteen thousand troops within the past few days, together with huge stocks of weapons, including heavy-calibre guns. Eighteen light tanks and ten heavy caterpillars have been seen. What is believed to have been the last detail of the preparations for the "push" was the arrival, nearer the base of operations yesterday, of the aeroplane-carriers of the Japanese Fleet, headed by H.I.J.M. Kaga. Three of these mother-ships have brought one hundred and twenty fighting planes up the Whangpoo river.

### "A MONTH'S WAR"

Questioned, officers of the Japanese army were unwilling to discuss matters of strategy. They believe that it will take at least a month to complete the campaign. The country over which the fighting will be done—after the Chinese have been driven from their defences in Chapei and Kiangwan—will be difficult to traverse with heavy equipment. An army must move no more swiftly than the slowest unit, state the Japanese officers.

### TERRIFIC BARRAGE.

Shanghai, Feb. 17, 10.21 a.m.  
The Japanese batteries, field-guns and howitzers, opened up a terrific bombardment, presumably signalling the commencement of the "big show," late last night. The intensive fire from dozens of guns was kept up the whole night through, the Chinese batteries replying steadily. Exceedingly few residents in the Settlement got much sleep, the din being terrific.

### NAVAL RATINGS HIT.

This morning, one shell, presumably Chinese, landed on one of Messrs. Jardine's wharves at Yangtszepoo, alongside which was the s.s. Juivo. The shell exploded, wounded several passengers on the steamer which suffered some damage, and also wounded two British naval ratings from H.M.S. Suffolk, who were guarding the wharf.—Reuter.

### FUNDS FOR THE 19TH ARMY.

San Francisco, Feb. 16.  
A house-to-house collection in San Francisco's Chinatown this afternoon, for funds to aid the Chinese forces in Shanghai, yielded a quarter of a million dollars.—Reuter.

## WARMING UP FOR THE WRATH TO COME.

TROOPS MOVE  
INTO LINE.

## KIANGWAN THE FOCUS-POINT.

Shanghai, Feb. 16.  
(Delayed).

An assurance that Japanese aeroplanes will no longer fly over the Settlement, is contained in a letter to the Municipal Council from the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Murai. Japanese troops were to-day busy taking over the positions held by the Japanese marines and bluejackets since the "war" broke out on January 28. When the change has been completed, the marines will take over police and patrol duties behind the lines.

### STREAMS OF MEN.

Trucksloads of munitions, supplies and men streamed towards Hongkew Park all day long. Japanese civilians cheering the troops as they passed. Throughout the day there was only desultory firing, but it seems certain that the next forty-eight hours will witness important developments. Both sides seem equally confident regarding the result of the impending battle.—Reuter.

### KIANGWAN OUTLOOK.

(Our Own Correspondent.)  
The Japanese appear to be planning to make the Kiangwan district the main point of focus for their coming offensive. There is immense activity in this region, large numbers of troops having been conveyed there from Yangtszepoo to-day. A survey reveals that the Japanese and Chinese outposts in the Kiangwan area are less than half a mile apart, though it is noted that the Chinese who were entrenched in the Hsiang Ying Road a few days ago, found themselves too exposed and have retreated.

### HEAVY STRAFING.

While the Chinese are withholding their fire along the Chapei front, the Japanese are rapidly completing the process of substituting troops for marines and bluejackets. Early this afternoon, Japanese artillery commenced an exceedingly heavy bombardment of the Chinese positions along the Kiangwan Road, and no Chinese reply was forthcoming.

### PLANES AT LUNGHWAN.

A Japanese plane was observed to be flying over the French Concession at 8.55 a.m. this morning, and at eleven o'clock, three Japanese machines were scouting over the Lungwha area. Intermittent artillery fire commenced at 8.45 p.m. and this still continues.

## "BOY" EMPEROR AGAIN.

President of  
Manchuria!

## INDEPENDENCE PROJECT.

Mukden, Feb. 16.  
Pu Yi, the "boy ex-Emperor" has again emerged as an important factor in the Manchurian situation.

It is believed that he is planned for him that he shall become the first President of Manchuria.

Preparations for the formation of an independent autonomous Manchurian Government are being rushed.

General Chang Ching-huei, the Governor of Harbin, arrived yesterday, General Ma Chan-shan is expected by aeroplane to-day.

### THE FAVOURITE.

But Pu Yi is still the favourite candidate for the Presidency, being specially backed by the Manchurian General Hsi Hsia. The present conference at Mukden between the Manchurian leaders is only preliminary, it is believed. It is expected that the inauguration of the new State will take place at Changchun later.

### GEN. MA ARRIVES.

Later.  
General Ma Chan-shan, the defender of the Nonni River, and Taitaihar against the Japanese, arrived at Mukden by air this afternoon from Harbin, to attend the conference scheduled for to-night.

### DINES WITH HONJO.

General Ma Chan-shan dined with his recent enemy, General Honjo, the Japanese commander-in-chief in Manchuria, others present being Tsang Shih-yi, the chairman of the Fengtian Government, Chang Ching-huei, commander-in-chief of the Harbin area, and General Hsi Hsia, the chairman of the Kirin Government.—Reuter.

## SHANTUNG INVASION RUMOURS.

CHINESE TROOPS ON  
MOVE.

Peking, Feb. 16.  
There is no longer any doubt that considerable troop movements are going on in North China, though their exact significance is by no means certain.

It is understood that the Central Government, whose headquarters are to-day at Loyang, recently ordered the Northern commanders to be prepared for eventualities against Japan, which apparently meant that they were to prepare for possible defensive warfare.

The foreign authorities in Peking still declare that there are no signs of Chinese troops movements along the Peking-Mukden Railway towards Manchuria, or towards Jehol, but it is expected that some Shansi troops will shortly be brought to Hsiao or Shantung. In some Chinese circles, it is asserted that the Japanese intend to send a strong force to Hsiao or Tsingtau for the invasion of Shantung, and declare that the Central Government has ordered two hundred thousand troops to concentrate in Shantung to withstand the invasion.—Reuter.

## SHELL KILLS TWO IN SETTLEMENT.

Shanghai, Feb. 17, 12.34 p.m.  
During last night's bombardment, shells fell into the Settlement behind the American lines, killing two Chinese and wounding several others.

During the shelling of the Woosung area, the cable of the Great Northern Telegraph Company was severed, presumably by a shell-burst, and for two hours, Shanghai was without cable communication with the outside world as the Eastern line and the Commercial Pacific were both severed during the bombardment of Woosung Forts some days ago and have not been repaired.

The Northern Telegraph Company, however, got emergency lines working in a short time by reason of the special arrangements made by the Company in anticipation of such an interruption, and this morning the service was working normally.—Reuter.



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**ECONOMIC CRISIS IN U.S.A.**

**ROTARY CLUB SPEAKER ON THE REMEDIES.**

**FREE SPENDING.**

An explanation of some of the events which have resulted in the United States feeling the full force of the present world depression was given by Mr. Harper Sibley, of Rochester, New York, who spoke at yesterday's meeting of the Hongkong Rotary Club, held in Messrs. Lance Crawford's restaurant, under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

The Chairman, who announced that as next Tuesday would be a race day there would be no meeting of the Club, welcomed the following visitors:—Rotarian H.M. Cavender, Manila, Rotarian Col. H. Cohen, past President of the Melbourne Club, Melbourne, Rotarian P. H. Stevenson, Peking, Mr. W. C. Costin, Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, travelling under a Rhodes Scholarship, and a member of the British Group to the conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations held recently, Mr. A. McKirdy, Hongkong, Dr. C. P. Emerson, Dean of Indiana University, and Rotarian A. A. Brown, President of Drew University, Madison New Jersey.

Mr. Sibley said that the economic crisis appeared to be particularly acute in the United States. He explained that he was a 100 per cent. believer in industrialisation of a country and in the increase of the machine productivity of a country.

Describing the conditions in the United States, Mr. Sibley said that there had been a tremendous "jag" in the country which had been "intoxicated" during the past two or three years. "We have now found the headache which inevitably must come along."

One reason for the state of intoxication was that American business manufacturers and salesmen believed in the philosophy that profits came from spending rather than from saving. That the way to lay up for the future was to spend freely because, if everybody spent, it created business, and the creation of business led to more business, going round in a circle until prosperity was reached.

**Artificial Buying Power.**

Mr. Sibley said that the American people had not only got into the habit of spending their income, but through facilities afforded to them by the credit system, many of them had spent the following year's salary as well. By spending in this manner the population had created an artificial buying power.

Another reason for the improved business in those days was that the United States had made tremendous foreign loans most of which were to be spent in the United States, which again enlarged the buying of the people. Through these various agencies business was stimulated beyond the normal income and it was felt that business was on the up-grade and was going to keep soaring indefinitely. More money was made than in normal years and one of the outcomes was that stocks went up.

**Stock Investments.**

The rise in stocks gave birth to a number of investment trusts. The investment trusts said they could invest money far better than the average person, claiming to know more than the average person did. The result was that a great many people began to buy investment trust securities and they, in turn, went in for stocks, resulting in a tremendous increase in the country's purchasing power in stocks.

The speaker gave an instance of the company in which he had an interest, and said that for years the stock had been standing at

about \$400. They were hoping that one day it would touch \$1,000. During the boom a small parcel of 20 shares was sold and re-sold in the market and one day, when he looked in the papers to see what their stock was quoted at, he found the amazing figure of \$4,500. On that basis the stock was earning about one per cent. That was the situation in the stock market, and it gave some idea of the ridiculous prices that were being paid.

**The Crash.**

After the boom there came the crash in 1929. "If we went up fast," said Mr. Sibley, "we came down a lot faster." It was amazing the way things had dropped in the United States. He did not think anyone who had not recently been there could realise how bad things really were.

In Great Britain, said the speaker, the people were more used to depression. In the United States the depression, following the boom, was like a person who being very tall and vigorous, was suddenly stricken down. "We have not got used to it," said the speaker, "and we are very much upset about it."

Giving figures to illustrate the drop in stocks since the crash, Mr. Sibley said that during the last two years the twenty best railroad stocks had dropped 60 per cent. The twenty best industrial stocks had dropped 65 per cent. The 20 best public utilities (power and light companies) had dropped 76 per cent. At that rate, said the speaker, if one's money was invested in the best stocks in the country, one would lose not less than three quarters of one's capital.

**Banks Insolvent.**

Out of a total of 25,000 banks in the United States, some 2,000 banks had actually gone into the hands of the receivers, and their liabilities amounted to two billion gold dollars. They were only able to pay eight cents on the dollar.

It was thought that the bottom had been touched by the year 1931, but in that year there were some additional drops. Last spring it appeared that the time was opportune to buy stocks, nevertheless it proved to be anything but opportune. The speaker said that stocks of the New York Central Railroad, which operated through a great series of industrial cities, dropped from \$182 to \$25 a share. Another very big stock, U. S. Steel Corporation, dropped from \$152 to \$36. Another leading railroad stock dropped from \$104 to \$15, and Union Pacific dropped from \$205 to \$87.1.

**Huge Sum Vanishes.**

Mr. Sibley said that the situation was not without its humorous aspect. He instanced the case of a man worth about \$350,000,000 before the crash, who died on the eve of the fall in stock prices. Out of his estate he had to pay death duties to the extent of \$87,000,000. This payment was not due until about a year after the death. By that time the value of the stocks held by the estate had dropped so low that the beneficiaries of an estate worth \$350,000,000 found themselves unable even to meet the death duties! The family fortune was "wiped out."

Investors in American stocks had had to write off \$350,000,000,000 in two years! That simply "knocked over" the American people. The bond market went lower than it had ever done for the past 20 years.

As was to be expected, when the crisis came, the people turned to the Government for help, and President Hoover held a conference with some of the leading business men. The Government at first said there was no depression and it was only a matter of a slump in the stock-market. Six months later they said that the depression was almost over. Six months later still they said that the worst was over and that the country ought to be able to show brighter colours in the near future.

**Government's Action.**

They kept on talking in that way until about six months ago they

realised that the patient was very sick. Since then, President Hoover has come forward with ten proposals, some of the more interesting of which were dealt with by the speaker.

The postponement of international debts, said Mr. Sibley, was one of the proposals. The idea had met with the approval of the business men and the newspapers of America.

Another remedy suggested by the Government of the United States was to raise funds to assist the various banks on which there was a run. The Government Reconstruction Finance Corporation was formed, whereby the bigger banks were enabled to help the smaller ones. The Corporation was formed to underwrite the solvency of thousands of American banks, most of which held securities which were, at one time, standing quite high, but which could not even meet the banks' liabilities to-day. In regard to these securities, it was explained that in many cases the Government had stepped in and fixed a rate where the banks could realise a fixed value on such securities.

**Railroad Stock.**

A third remedy suggested and introduced by the American Government was in connection with railroad stocks. The best securities in America, it had been recognised for years past, were railroad stocks, and those securities were held by the leading insurance companies and banks. The railroads were State controlled to the extent that their profits were kept at about five and a half per cent. each year. Since the crash, however, business had fallen off and car earnings had gone down by about one-third. One great railway system, the Illinois Central, which had shown a profit of \$9,000,000 for 1930, showed a loss of \$4,500,000 for 1931, representing a difference of \$13,500,000 in a year. Not only were the railroad companies unable to pay dividends, but some of them were rapidly heading for the hands of the receivers.

The Government Reconstruction Finance Corporation had arranged to pay interest on the railroad stocks to assist stock-holders to tide over the present period and to allay the fears of such stock-holders.

Steps had also been taken to permit the railroad companies to increase their rates to meet the emergency, and railroad employees, rather than face unemployment, had volunteered to accept a ten per cent. cut in their wages.

**No Blame.**

One feature of the depression, which was very encouraging, said Mr. Sibley, was that there was no blame going round. Capital was not blaming labour, nor was labour blaming Capital, and no one blamed the Government, but the whole country was trying to work out of it together, which was a hopeful sign.

Mr. Sibley concluded by saying that he was a thorough believer in the industrial system for relieving pressure on the land. Population grew daily but not the product of the land, and it was inevitable that the people in the rural areas should find their way into factories. Properly handled, this was not such a difficult problem and he foresaw the day when the machine would do all the work and men would have more time for leisure. He felt sure that when that time came, men would learn to control their leisure.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy thanked the speaker on behalf of the Club.

**FRENCH CRISIS.**

**GOVERNMENT RESIGNS FOLLOWING DEFEAT.**

Paris, Feb. 16.

The Government has resigned in consequence of its defeat in the Senate on the Electoral Bill, which aimed at following the British voting system, and included woman suffrage.—*Reuter.*

**RECEIVER SENTENCED.**

**SEQUEL TO NEW YEAR ROBBERY.**

Charged with receiving stolen goods, Ma Chuen yesterday appeared before Mr. Justice Lindell and a jury at the Criminal Sessions, and pleaded not guilty to the indictment.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, prosecuted and the jury empanelled were Messrs. S. H. Hartridge, (Foreman), F. P. Kennedy, B. Herschend, S. H. Bux, C. Offenbergh, G. Anderson and W. C. Ogley.

Mr. Whyte Smith, in presenting the case for the Crown said the charge was the sequel to a robbery at 165, Portland Street on January 17, in which four robbers took part. It was not suggested that accused was one of the robbers and there was no evidence to that effect. He was charged with receiving stolen goods knowing them to be stolen.

On January 21, Inspector Fallon, a Chinese sergeant and a constable visited No. 231 Portland Street, second floor, where accused lived. The constable remained outside of the house while the Inspector and sergeant endeavoured to gain admittance. They experienced some difficulty in doing so, and the door was finally opened by accused, who, it was discovered was the only occupant.

While the officers were trying to get in, the constable outside noticed a parcel thrown out of the second floor window. He picked it up and it was found to contain three watches, a gold ring and a jade bracelet. Two of the watches and the bracelet were identified as being among those stolen on January 17. From the accused, Inspector Fallon secured a bunch of keys and with one opened a cabinet in the room in which was found a fountain pen case with pencil, which was also identified as being among the articles stolen.

The accused was arrested and when charged replied "They were given to me by Ah Ching. I did not know they were stolen." Evidence proving the robbery and the identification of the watches, bracelet and fountain pen case was given for the Crown, and after a brief summing up, the jury returned a verdict of guilty.

Accused was accordingly sentenced to twelve months' hard labour.

**FROZEN MEAT TRADE.**

**NEW ZEALAND ENTERPRISE PROSPERS.**

London, Feb. 16.

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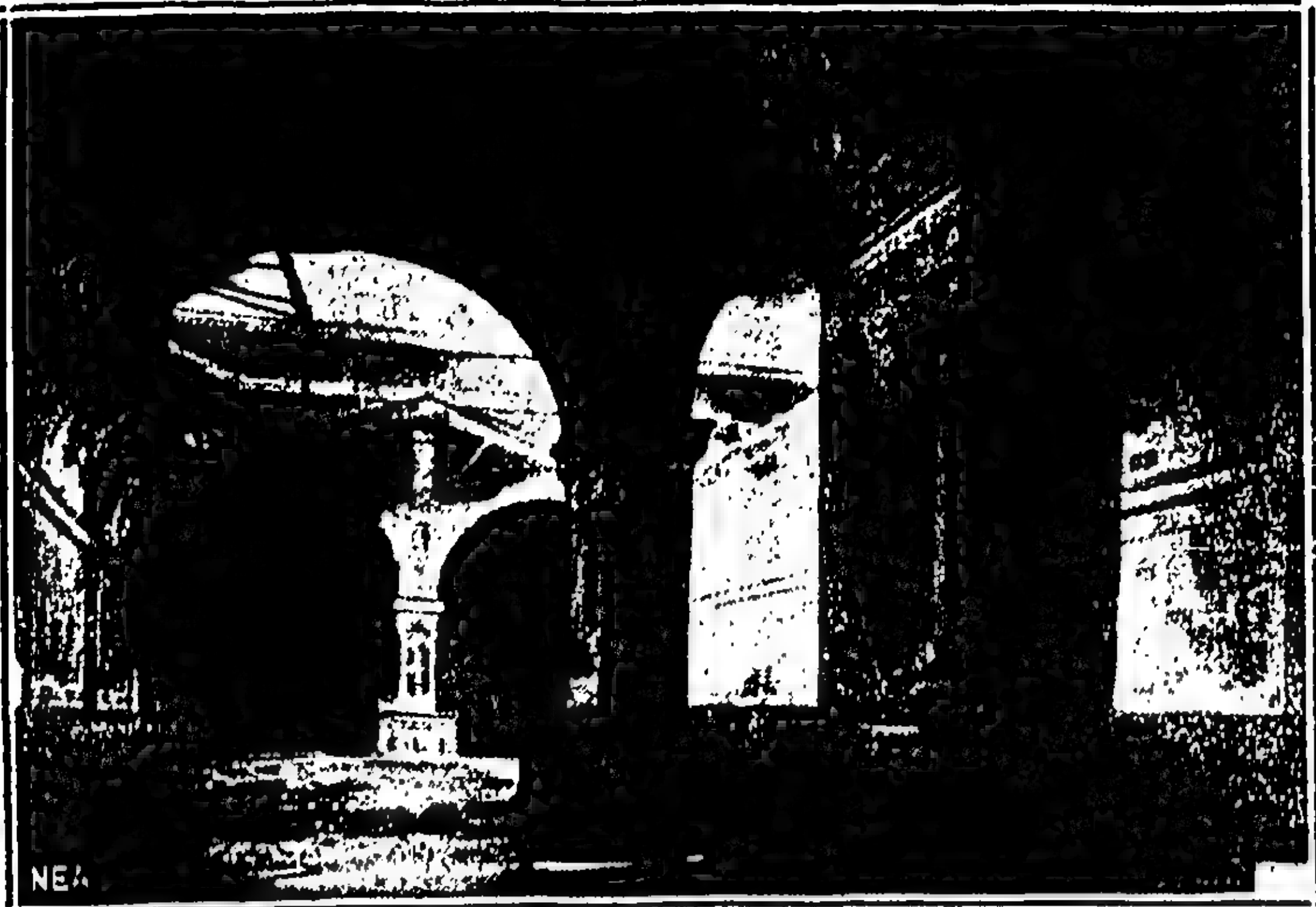
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## VATICAN LIBRARY COLLAPSE: EASTON POST OFFICE BOMB TRAGEDY.



Picture showing how the collapse of the roof of the library, housed in the Sixtus V or left wing of the Vatican Palace in Rome, showered the interior with wreckage. Five workmen and Professor Vapasso were killed and priceless volumes and manuscripts were destroyed. The above photo shows how aging timbers cracked in "The Hall of a hundred Days" and allowed heavy beams, slating and supports to crash inside. Note the enormous gap in the roof through which another wing of the Vatican can be seen.



Just a gentle massaging, administered by Henry Coppinger, crocodile wrestler, put this fearsome looking reptile to sleep while an awed crowd looked on—from a safe distance—at Miami Beach, recently.



The shattered interior of a cage in the Easton post office after a bomb, exploding, had killed two clerks. Discovery of more bombs in the boxes shown on the ledge, at the right, revealed a plot against prominent Italians to whom the packages were addressed.



Tragedy hovered over this scene. For shortly after the picture above was taken, Charles Weaver (in centre), a bomb expert, was critically injured by the explosion of one of these bomb-laden boxes at Easton, Pa. A few hours before another had exploded, killing two clerks and injuring three others in the Easton post office. At the right is Detective George J. Ryan, and at the left a state trooper, assisting in examination of the fatal packages.

## THREE KINDS OF LOVE by KAY CLEVER STRAHAN

BEGIN HERE TODAY.

Ann, Cecily and Mary-Frances Fenwick live with their grandparents, once wealthy, now so impoverished that Ann's and Cecily's earnings support the household. The system have been orphaned since childhood. The grandparents are Ann's mother, Cecily's father, and Mary-Frances' father. They live in a small, old-fashioned house in a quiet street. Ann is a girl of sixteen, Cecily is fifteen, and Mary-Frances is fourteen. They are all very different in character. Ann is a dreamer, Cecily is a practical girl, and Mary-Frances is a spoiled brat.

## CHAPTER VII

In the hall, where Ann could see his frown, he went on. "No. It seems to me that you and I are pushed about, constantly and regardless of our own inclinations, to the tune of other people's whims."

"Not—not whims," said Ann. "Phil shrugged. She hated to see him shrug that way, pretending to be indifferent, actually signifying that nothing was of importance any longer. She began to talk rapidly. "Dear, dearest," she said, "I don't know, but I think most people's troubles are their own faults, unless we switch to the determinists and say that nothing is anyone's fault. I mean—if there is fault it must belong to each person's own self. I was thinking tonight, as I peeled the carrots, you are like the sun to my moon. And when you shine I can shine—reflected light, you know. And when things are all wrong as they have been lately, and you are sort of hidden from me in the clouds, then I can't shine either. Only—it is more than my shining. Then I'm just not I at all. Nor anything—much. I'm gone."

"Which, resolved," said Philip Ecroyd, dignified young lawyer, "puts all the blame at my door, all the time for not—how is it?—shining."

"No," said Ann desperately. "No. Phil dear, you are so clever and so wise and—I'm not. I shouldn't try smiles—metaphors. They don't arrive. But, dear, if you'd try you could understand."

For once compliments failed to mollify him. "I do try," he said. "But nothing over for either of us. Does it? We never arrive." He sighed and added, "I love you, Ann," but to Ann it sounded absent-minded, like "I beg

your pardon" and his like. She avoided saying, "Quite all right, I assure you," by saying nothing. "Well," he reached for her hands. "I'll be running along, then. Good night, dear."

"Good night?" she echoed, without the "dear." "But why in the world are you going so early? Cecily will think it's queer if you don't come in and meet her friend."

What did he mean those shuffling shoulders to imply? Patience? (Cecily, in a teasing humour, had said that Phil was as patient as a thumb.) Indifference? She had asked him last week what he meant when he shrugged, and he had answered that it was merely a mannerism, he supposed, and that he was sorry it annoyed her—hinting, however, that Ann was easily annoyed.

He hung up his hat again, and took off his raincoat again, and kicked his overshoes again—Phil never hurried. "I'm afraid," he said, as he steeled down his hair, "that I'm in no mood for a party, party nor for Cecily's friends."

The music room was lighted only with the piano lamp, and off in a shadowy corner Grand mercifully was dozing, Rosalie, with her back to the light, tossed Philip and Ann a contralto parenthesis and went right on being the alluring, blonde belle of South Carolina.

Ann glanced at Cecily and saw that Rosalie and her allure did not matter—that nothing much mattered. Cecil was glowing with a blurred radiance that Ann understood. It came along with love, at first, and it came because all outside things were blurred and softened and made beautiful—for the time being.

Cecily, now, could not see that Phil with his six feet and two inches towered above the shortish Mr. McKee. She could not see that Phil, with his smooth hair and his deep, dark-browed blue eyes, and his maturity and manliness, made Barry McKee look boyish and fragile and inadequate. In time, of course, things necessarily emerged from the haze and crystallized into clearly outlined duties, and practicalities, habits, and certainties. Marriage, Ann believed, made this emergence easy; totalling, as it went, along, certainties, duties, habits, troubles, into a sum fine and noble, instead of confusing them



Add to the list of 1931 sport-champions: George Coulridge, champion coal carrier of England. Here he is with the 100-pound sack of "black diamonds" that he carried for four miles in successfully defending his title against all comers in London recently.



It was a miraculous escape for Mrs. A. Felix du Pont, society aviatrix, when her biplane crashed during a forced landing near Springville, Staten Island, N. Y. Mrs. du Pont was only slightly injured.

able round of anecdotes concerning the three prodigies, the sisters Fenwick, and Phil sat, and was handsome, and looked bored, bored, bored.

For Phil's sake, and for Cecily's, too, Ann snatched the opportunity offered at the end of Rosalie's story, about six-year-old Mary-Frances and her first view of the Pacific ocean ("I had understood," lisped Mary-Frances, as she turned away, "that it was much bigger than that") to tell about the funny man who had gone with them for the Labour Day party to Agate Beach.

"He was a 'steenth cousin of somebody's,' and we none of us understood how he got into our group at all. But there he was, and he liked us less than we liked him, and he complained about the coffee and wouldn't help with any of the work. On Sunday evening, I happened to be alone on the porch, and there was a glorious sunset doing marvellous purple things to the ocean. I called the others, 'Come and see the ocean!' and they all came except this Mr. Whatever-his-name-was. I thought he hadn't heard me; he was in the dining room, so I ran in there and said again, mad with enthusiasm, 'Oh, Mr. So-and-so, come and see the ocean!' He sat at a table in his chair and put back his chin and said, 'I have seen the ocean.'"

Barry's laugh leaped out satisfactorily. But Phil looked bored, bored, bored.

"Did anyone ask him," Barry said, "about York Cathedral?" Ann did not understand, but Phil opened his eyes wider and leaned forward. "Ah! You care for the Brontës?"

Everyone laughed but Phil, who could not be expected to laugh, since he had heard the story many times before.

Barry exclaimed pleasantly about little girls who went to school at four years old and wrote letters, and Rosalie began her intermin-

"Do!! Emily in particular. I've just been rereading..."

Ann soon stopped listening. She sat with a small smile fixed on her lips, and was glad that Phil was no longer bored, and that Cecily seemed to have read all the Brontës books, and that Rosalie had been lulled and was nodding in her heliotrope perfume. She had put on a lot of it to-night. Phil said that Rosalie was always ruthlessly perfumed. Poor Rosalie—she wore

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 Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.  
 All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Thursday, the 27th February, 1932, or they will not be recognized.  
 Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 24th February, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's surveyors.  
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R. OHL, Agent.  
 Hongkong, 17th February, 1932.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION will be held in ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL, KOWLOON, on Friday, 26th February 1932, at 6 p.m.

**Business:**—To consider and, if thought fit, approve the following alterations to the Rules of the Association: Rule 25—To add the words "or at the Annual General Meeting." To add a new rule as follows, to be inserted between the existing rules 14 & 15: "Honorary Life members may be elected at any Annual General Meeting; such Life Members shall be nominated by the General Committee, and no annual subscription shall be payable by them." To renumber the existing rules Nos. 15—25 as Nos. 16—26.

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Twelfth Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Friday, 26th February, 1932, immediately after the above-mentioned extraordinary General Meeting.

### BUSINESS.

Adoption of Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1931.  
 Election of Officers and Committee.  
 Any other business.  
 It is specially requested that all members and others interested in the welfare of Kowloon will make an endeavour to be present at this meeting.

CHAS. E. TERRY,  
 Hon. Secretary.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

**ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932.**  
 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 27th February, 1932.

On Saturday 20th, Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, and Wednesday 24th February, the first bell will be rung at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 1.30 a.m. On Saturday, the 27th February, the first bell will be rung at 1 p.m., and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

The 15th interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.  
**MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.**  
 Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.  
 No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.  
 Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all claims, etc.  
 Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.  
 A limited number of Tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from No. 1 Box, Telephone No. 21620.  
 On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.**  
 The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.  
 Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.  
 Bookmakers, Tie Tac men etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

**SERVANTS' PASSES.**  
 Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 3rd Floor, Gloucester Building.  
 Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands.  
 Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,  
 C. B. BROWN,  
 Secretary.  
 Hongkong, 8th February, 1932.

### KOWLOON UNION CHURCH.

A meeting of Members and Adherents will be held on Sunday, 28th February, 1932, on the conclusion of the Morning Service. Business—Election of Trustees.  
 G. R. LEIB,  
 Hon. Secretary.

## G. R. R.

### NOTICE

Traffic Regulations during the Races, 1932.

- All vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nel-Chung will proceed via Arsenal Street, Hennessy Road, Percival Street, Leighton Hill Road, and round the Happy Valley via Wong-Nel-Chung Road to the entrance gates. Vehicles will return to town via Morrison Gap Road and Queen's Road East. These arrangements will be in force between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Passengers will alight from and board trams and buses at:—(1) The main Public entrance gate and (2) The members entrance gate only.
- Trucks and persons carrying large burdens will not be permitted West of Percival Street or East of Murray Road between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Pedestrians must walk on the footpaths, and not on the roadway.
- Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.
- Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.
- Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying is liable to be destroyed (Ordinance 1 of 1845, section 16 sub-section 3).

Note:—There will be one way traffic only in Queen's Road East from the Monument to Arsenal Street from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The one way traffic will run from East to West.

- Vehicles proceeding up Stubbs Road will proceed via Arsenal Street, Johnson Road, (Old Praya East) Wanchai Road, Morrison Hill Road and Morrison Gap Road.
- Parking of Cars at the Race Course.**
- The Stand at the Public entrance is reserved for Jockey Club Stewards and Officials only.
  - Morrison Hill parking ground opposite Civil Service Club, and Village Road reserved for Private Cars.
  - Venris Road reserved for Public Cars.

E. D. C. WOLFE,  
 Inspector General of Police.  
 Hongkong, 16th February, 1932.

### THE HONG KONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED and TWELFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 15th March, 1932, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.  
 The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 1st March, 1932, to Tuesday, the 15th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.  
 By Order of the Board of Directors,  
 G. E. ELLAMS,  
 Secretary.  
 Hongkong, 15th February, 1932.

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## G. R. R.

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### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-third Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1932 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1931 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 10th March 1932 to 23rd March 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
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 Hongkong, 17th February, 1932.

### THE HONGKONG TRANSFER & BROKERAGE CO.

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J. BALDWIN,  
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**THE HONGKONG TRANSFER & BROKERAGE CO.**

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 27th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.  
 The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 15th February, to Saturday, the 27th February, 1932 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
 V. M. GRAYBURN,  
 Chief Manager.  
 Hongkong, 6th February, 1932.

### HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Monday, the 29th February, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 18th February, to Monday, 29th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
 General Managers.  
 Hongkong, 10th February, 1932.

## MELBOURNE INMAN FINED £20.

### DOCTOR ON DRINK AND MOTORING.

Melbourne Inman, the well-known billiards player, of New Malden, was fined £20 with £7 7s. costs at Marylebone for driving a car while under the influence of drink.

Last October he was fined £5 for a similar offence, and the magistrate (Mr. Bingley) said it was most deplorable that it should have happened again so quickly.

Inman was stopped by a police motor patrol because his car was considered to be zig-zagging dangerously.

Inman said he had only two whiskies and sodas and that the police surgeon had mistaken an attack of vertigo for giddiness due to drink.

Dr. Baldie said that Inman was a type of person more than usually susceptible to alcohol. He ought to be extremely circumspect.

Mr. Colman (defending): Do you think two whiskies and sodas should be too large an amount to take?

Dr. Baldie: I do in the circumstances. As a doctor I should take no drink when driving a car, and I think that no motorist should take as much as two whiskies and sodas when driving.

Inman begged the magistrate not to suspend his licence, urging that he was using his car at present to travel about the country demonstrating his new game of golf-billiards.

The magistrate replied that he was sorry, but he did not see why on this occasion he should interfere with the automatic suspension.

## ELECTRIC CO. PROFITS.

### DIVIDEND OF \$2.50 PROPOSED.

At the ordinary yearly meeting to be held on Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m., the Directors of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., will (subject to audit) recommend that the balance available for distribution be disposed of as follows: To pay a dividend of \$2.50 per share on 450,000 shares, \$1,125,000. To appropriate a sum to write off Nos. 3 & 4 Turbo Sets, \$175,059. To place to reserve, \$400,000. To carry forward to next account, \$136,336.11.

It is notified that the parcel post service to Shanghai and North China is fully resumed as from to-day.

Suffering from an overdose of Adalin, a man named Chan Fuk, aged 41, of 64, Walching Street, Yau-mati, was removed to hospital for treatment. His condition is not considered serious. It is believed that the man attempted to commit suicide.

A report of the theft of a blank cheque, which was forged and cashed, has been made to the police, by Mr. S. C. Felton, of the P.W.D., who has notified the authorities that on or about February 6, someone stole from a locked drawer in his office a blank cheque from his book and forged the same for \$70, the money being subsequently drawn through the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

Convicted on a charge of stealing two slabs of paraffin wax from the Kowloon Godowns yesterday, a coolie was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Mr. Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Inspector Magistrate stated that the defendant was employed at the godown and has just finished work on a ship when he was seen with the wax hidden under a jacket.

## THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

### What to do to help a child.

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## THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

### REMINDER

ENTRIES for the Spring Race Meeting to be held at Macao on Sunday, the 13th March, 1932 close at 5 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 19th February, 1932.

## RACE HATS

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

Information has been received that the Siberian route is uninterrupted and the service by this route will accordingly be resumed forthwith.

The Public are, however, warned that, as this Service is somewhat precarious and still liable to suspension without notice, letters will only be accepted as "Nugats" risks. In the event of the service being again suspended all letters will be forwarded via Suva.

As from 10th February the Parcel Post Service to Shanghai and North China is resumed for individual parcels only.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "Via Siberia" if so superscribed. It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the General Post Office that on and after 1st February no unsorted correspondence will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-holders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the delivery of the letters or packets.

### INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Calcutta and Straits	Kumgang	February 17.
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	February 18.
Japan	Sirahama	February 19.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	February 19.
Japan	Hakusan Maru	February 19.
Japan	Shinyo Maru	February 19.
Europe (Letters and Papers) London, 21st January	Kashima Maru	February 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 30th January)	Empr. of Japan	February 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 22nd January)	Pres. Garfield	February 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 20th January)	Pres. Lincoln	February 22.
Manila	Asama Maru	February 22.
London, Parcels only, London, 14th January	Memnon	February 24.
Calcutta and Straits	Santha	February 24.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 6th February)	Pres. Taft	February 25.
Japan	Kitano Maru	February 25.
Japan and Shanghai	Naldora	February 25.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Amoy	Kweiyang	Wed., Feb. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow	Fook On	Wed., Feb. 17, 4 p.m.
Saigon	Helicon	Wed., Feb. 17, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Andre Lebon	Wed., Feb. 17, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Asama Maru	Thurs., Feb. 18, 2.45 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Feb. 18, 8 p.m.
Amoy	Kumgang	Thurs., Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Japan	Atsuta Maru	Fri., Feb. 19, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hsiehling	Fri., Feb. 19, 1 p.m.
Bangkok	Bintang	Fri., Feb. 19, 1.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kong	Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Japan, and Canada	President Cleveland	Fri., Feb. 19.
	Parcels	Fri., Feb. 19, 3 p.m.
	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C., 8th March)	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	President Cleveland	Fri., Feb. 19.
	Reg.	Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Fri., Feb. 19, 6 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles  
 Reg., ..... Fri., Feb. 19, 4.30 p.m.  
 Letters, ..... Fri., Feb. 19, 4.30 p.m.  
 G.P.O.  
 Reg., ..... Fri., Feb. 19, 5 p.m.  
 Letters, ..... Fri., Feb. 19, 6 p.m.  
 (Due Marseilles, 10th March)

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia  
 Emp. of Canada ..... Sat., Feb. 20.  
 Parcels, ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5 p.m.  
 Reg., ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5.15 a.m.  
 Letters, ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 10 a.m.  
 (Due Vancouver B.C., 6th March)

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island  
 Changto ..... Sat., Feb. 20.  
 Parcels, ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5 p.m.  
 Reg., ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 5.45 a.m.  
 Letters, ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 10.30 a.m.  
 (Due Thursday Island 27th Feb.)

Hoihow ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 8.30 a.m.  
 Haiphong ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Straits ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Japan ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Manila ..... Sat., Feb. 20, 2.30 p.m.  
 Bangkok via Swatow ..... Sun., Feb. 21, 9 a.m.  
 Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ..... Sun., Feb. 21, 9 a.m.  
 Batavia ..... Tues., Feb. 22, 10.30 a.m.  
 Swatow ..... Tues., Feb. 22, 2 p.m.  
 Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, and South America and Europe via San Francisco  
 Asama Maru ..... Wed., Feb. 24.  
 Registration ..... 23rd, 5 p.m.  
 Letters ..... 24th, 8.30 a.m.  
 (Due San Francisco, 16th March).

Straits and Calcutta ..... Wed., Feb. 24.  
 Hoang ..... Wed., Feb. 24.  
 Parcels, ..... 10 a.m.  
 Letters, ..... 10 a.m.  
 \*Superscribed Correspondence only.

## EROS A FOUNTAIN.

### SCULPTOR'S DESIGN CARRIED OUT AT LAST.

Eros, though he has lost his bow string in the brief period since his restoration to Piccadilly, has had a new beauty added to him. For the first time recently the Shaftesbury title of Eros—became a real fountain with a network of delicate jets of water playing in an interlaced design around its base.

Higher jets of water shot up many feet into the air from the corners of the octagonal base of the statue, falling in cascades of spray. Although Piccadilly Circus was crowded when the water was turned on during the early part of the day, few people noticed the event. Hundreds of visitors to London who went specially to Piccadilly Circus to see the figure failed to realise that they were seeing "it" for the first time, as Gilbert, the sculptor, intended it to be seen as a playing fountain.



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## BRITISH PREMIER.

## A TALK WITH GENEVA DELEGATES.

London, Feb. 16.  
An important bedside conference on the foreign situation was held at the dining room where Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is recovering.

The distinguished patient has had lengthy talks with Sir John Simon, Foreign Secretary, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, leader of the House of Commons, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Dominions Secretary, and Lord Hailham, Secretary for War, who are shortly leaving for Geneva.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

## Further Opinions.

London, Feb. 16.  
The Disarmament Conference at Geneva was continued to-day when the first speaker was Senor Bosch, former Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs, who appealed for the abolition of any land, naval and air forces which by their nature were intended for aggression.

He also urged the Conference to draft a Convention containing articles to prevent trading in war material.

M. Motta, the Swiss President, supported all methods of prohibiting aggressive war, or use of chemicals and bombing of civilian populations.—*British Wireless.*

## LARGE ENGLISH MAIL RECEIVED.

## SIBERIAN ROUTE NOW ALL CLEAR.

Included in the large consignment of mail aboard the M.M. liner Aethon II, which arrived yesterday morning from Shanghai, were 61 bags of London mail via Siberia, despatched from London on January 19, 20 and 21. Sixty bags of outstanding second class mail, including newspapers, were also received on January 18.

The Postmaster-General, Mr. E. W. Hamilton, stated yesterday that the route via Siberia was now clear, and no further delay was anticipated. No trouble was now being experienced with the arrival and despatch of Shanghai mail, a large quantity of which was also received per the Aethon II.

For the present individual parcels only were being despatched from Hongkong to Shanghai.



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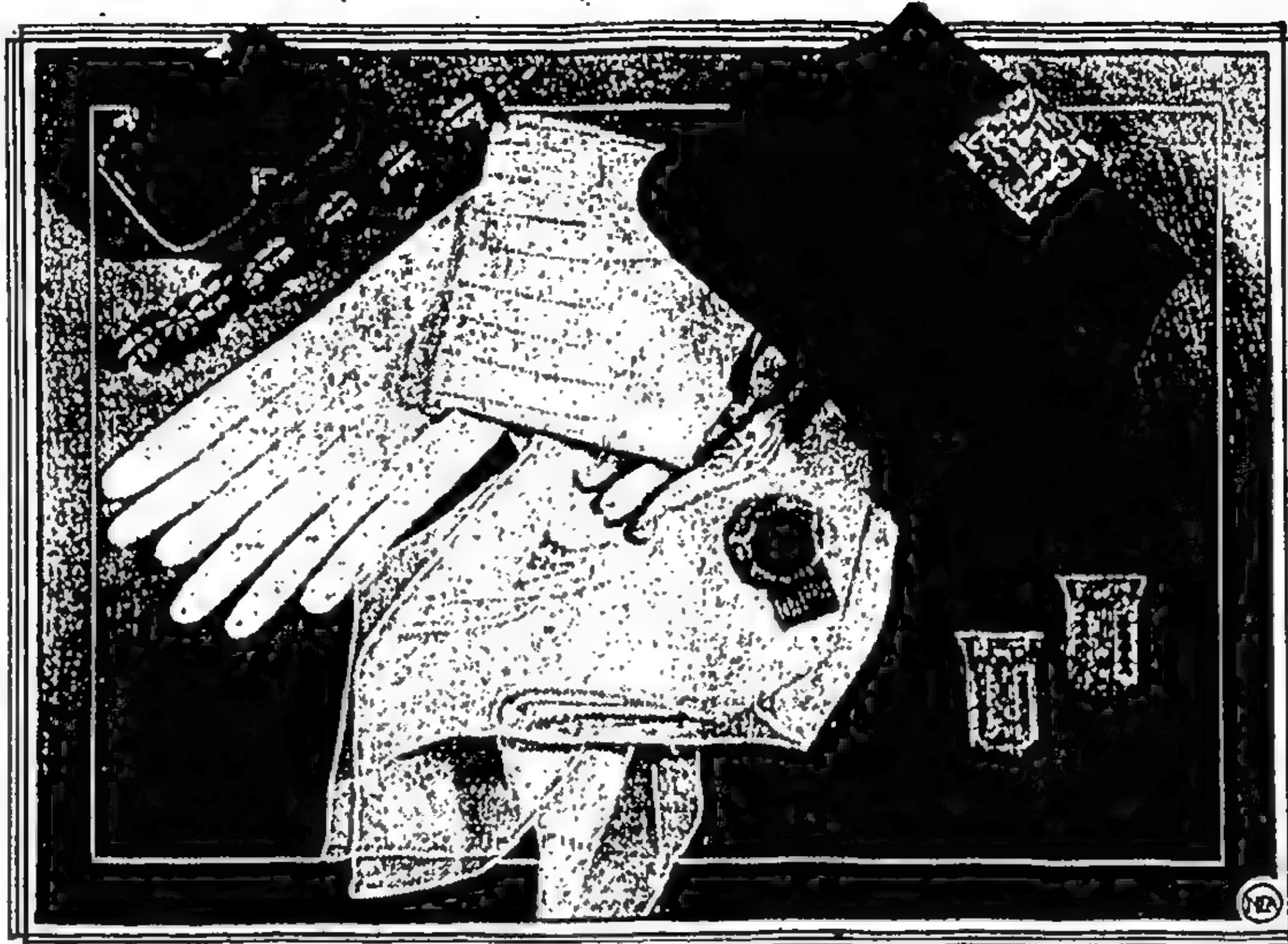


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## WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## A FEW OF THE LATEST ACCESSORIES.



New accessories include a transparent agate cigarette case, with rhinestone hinges; a bracelet of baguette-cut rhinestones, sapphires, and emeralds; shorter evening gloves, of white kid, with wrists tucked horizontally; a black crepe evening bag with rhinestone lift lock; a white chiffon handkerchief initialed in colour; a jewelled clip comb and decolletage rhinestone clips.

## OUR SIMPLE CHILDREN.

[By a Father.]

The child mind is simple. One word, one thing, is its rule. I asked Elizabeth at tea if she would like a little cake, to be answered with a vehement "No!" Surprised at what was sudden dislike for a hitherto favourite luxury, I sought a reason—and got it.

"I want a big piece!" she cried tearfully. Within its own sphere the single minded, simple logic of children is unimpeachable. It can make of even infantile arithmetic a perfect work. After much labour we have succeeded in persuading Archie, aged nearly three, that to eat wind-falls from the orchard involves acute internal disturbances. Elizabeth, now in her first term at school, brought home a problem which, possibly because it concerned apples, had fascinated her, though indeed its form suffered during its passage from school.

"If I had five apples and gave you three, what would that be?" Archie was undaunted by the indefiniteness of the question. "Pains!" quoth he, with all the assurance of certain accuracy.

So works the child mind, captivating in its simplicity. But those who actually own children will shake their heads. They know the full and dark truth. The fact is that through the child's innumerable one catches frequent visions of the Old Adam.

Elizabeth is taken to Sunday School by Margaret, some years her senior, to whom we look for all details of times and requirements. Two Sundays ago, acting under instructions, we sent Elizabeth off with some fruit for the harvest festival; last Sunday, amid the thrushes of desecration, she informed her mother in a whisper:—

"We have to take fruit again to-day—but not much—and don't ask Margaret."

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It is even to be suspected that the Old Adam can actually prompt the child to use its literalness for purposes of sin. A year or two ago, Elizabeth developed a propensity for poking a surreptitious finger into tasty dishes. I caught her at it one day.

"If you touch that jelly again," I warned her severely, "you shall have none."

She fell. A quivering mass slithered on to the table under my eyes.

"Now," I said, "you know what I said!"

"But, daddy," she objected in perfect sincerity, "I didn't touch it at all. Look, it was my spoon." And so it was! So much for the simple, ingenious logic of children!

## TYPES OF INFLUENZA.

[By a Family Doctor.]

The commonest type is that in which a high temperature is the chief manifestation. Again and again I have seen this form ushered in on the first night by a severe nightmare. There is severe headache with nothing, restless pains mainly in the back and down the limbs. An interesting and frequent symptom is great soreness of the scalp—nothing to see, but extreme discomfort on using brush or comb. The appetite is lost, the throat is sore and there is a dry cough, the eyes may be inflamed and the eyeballs very painful. The temperature usually remains up four to six days, and the patient is very weak.

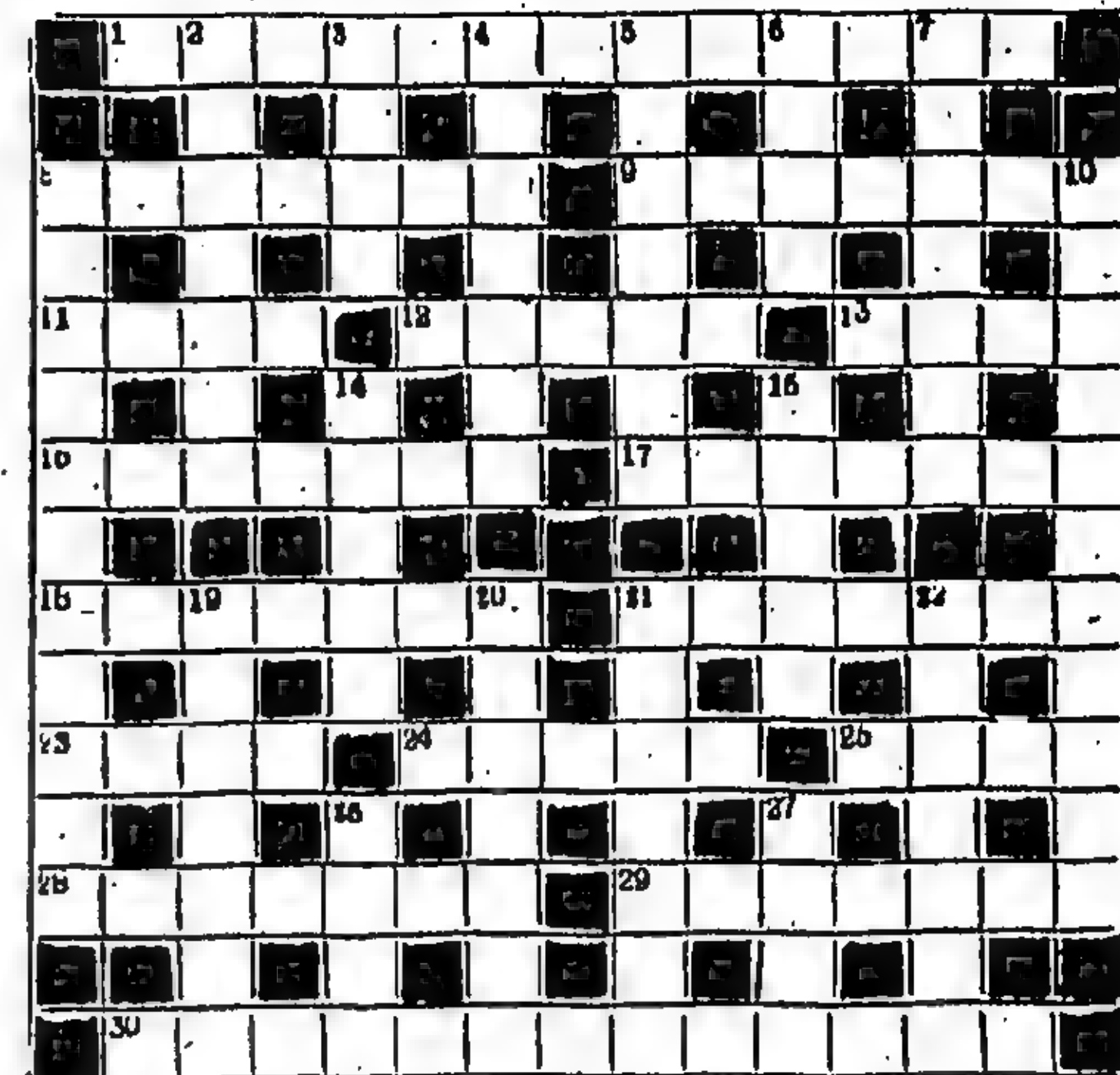
The gastric type is less common. Again the suddenness of the onset and the high temperature. But here the symptoms are vomiting, nausea and pain in the stomach, with diarrhoea. In the epidemics, especially the great ones, the so-called respiratory type of flu is perhaps the commonest. In this there is sore throat, hoarseness, pain in the chest and a difficult, tight, painful cough. There is an acute bronchitis which is very liable to progress to pneumonia.

And, finally, in the great epidemics there is also the "malignant" type of the disease, which is almost invariably fatal. The patient is stricken down suddenly and utterly prostrated. There are no very definite symptoms for they have no time to develop, the patient succumbing to a generalised poisoning of his whole system. Fortunately, this form is comparatively rare.

## SOUTHERN SUNDAY.

Mix together 1 large cupful drained crushed pineapple, 1 large cupful finely chopped salted peanuts and six finely chopped Marshmallow cherries. Serve a liberal spoonful on each serve of ice cream.

## OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



## Across

- 1 "Think, stranger," about these old paladins (anag.).
- 8 Though not a classical passage, this appeals to the dentist.
- 9 You will have no difficulty in finding an Irishman in this Glasgow suburb.
- 11 This man knows how to bat.
- 12 Kneek down.
- 13 Might, in short, be either a boy or a girl.
- 16 Lazy rascal!
- 17 One always may be sure of finding a servant in these public places, so why worry the agencies?
- 18 Drawn in and mixed up in this, I handle the whole thing.
- 21 Might describe a lover or only his clothes.
- 23 When in this the matter is still under consideration.
- 24 All we need at last—and that's slight.
- 25 Put this in front of me and take for granted.
- 26 One condescends about a shilling in such projects.
- 29 "Can't you see that notice, 'No Fishing Here'?" "Don't you—it. Look at these!"
- 30 A famous Welshman in the Middle Ages (two words).

## Down

- 2 A chemical salt reminiscent of the fee for a trunk call after 7 p.m.
- 3 It takes a boy to be so happy.
- 4 Chattered.
- 5 A feat indeed.
- 6 Excellent, and not at all dense.
- 7 Nor is this.
- 8 Ornamented.
- 10 Scottish strait (three words).
- 14 Old Greek coins.
- 15 Nautical stop.
- 19 Used by the woodworker, as 23 saw.
- 20 An old maid.
- 21 The rightful Duke of Milan's slave.
- 22 Impure.
- 23 Here horses go up.
- 27 Hotch-potch.

## Yesterday's Solution.

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MIDWINTER  
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ON A RUSE A E  
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If every London General Omnibus Company driver lost a penny fare each day by failing to pull up for an intending passenger, and every conductor failed to collect a

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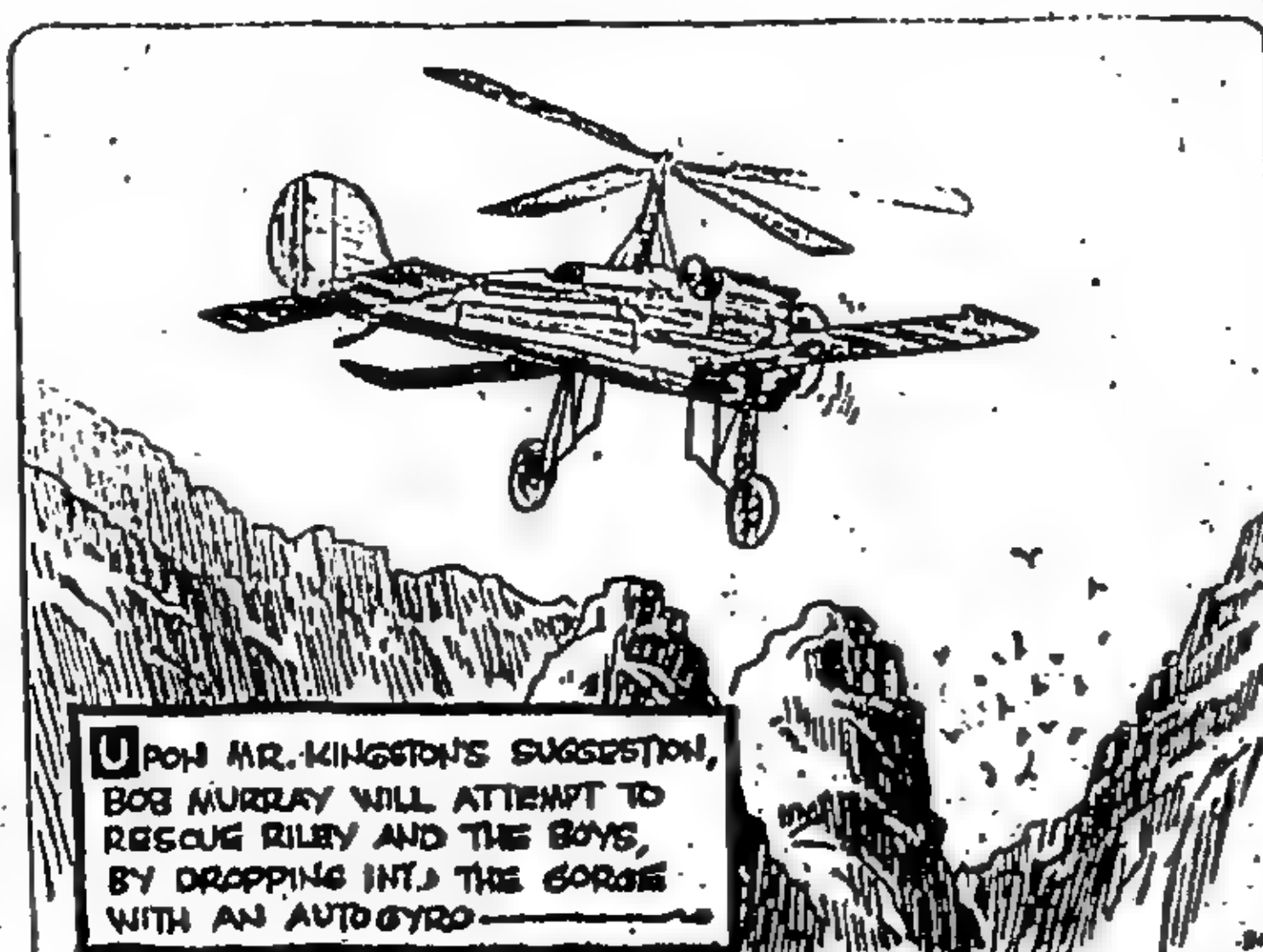
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## Happy Day!



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WELL, I'LL SEE IF I CAN THINK OF ANOTHER ONE... IF SOMEONE DOESN'T COME PRETTY SOON, I'M GOING TO RUN OUT OF STORIES!!

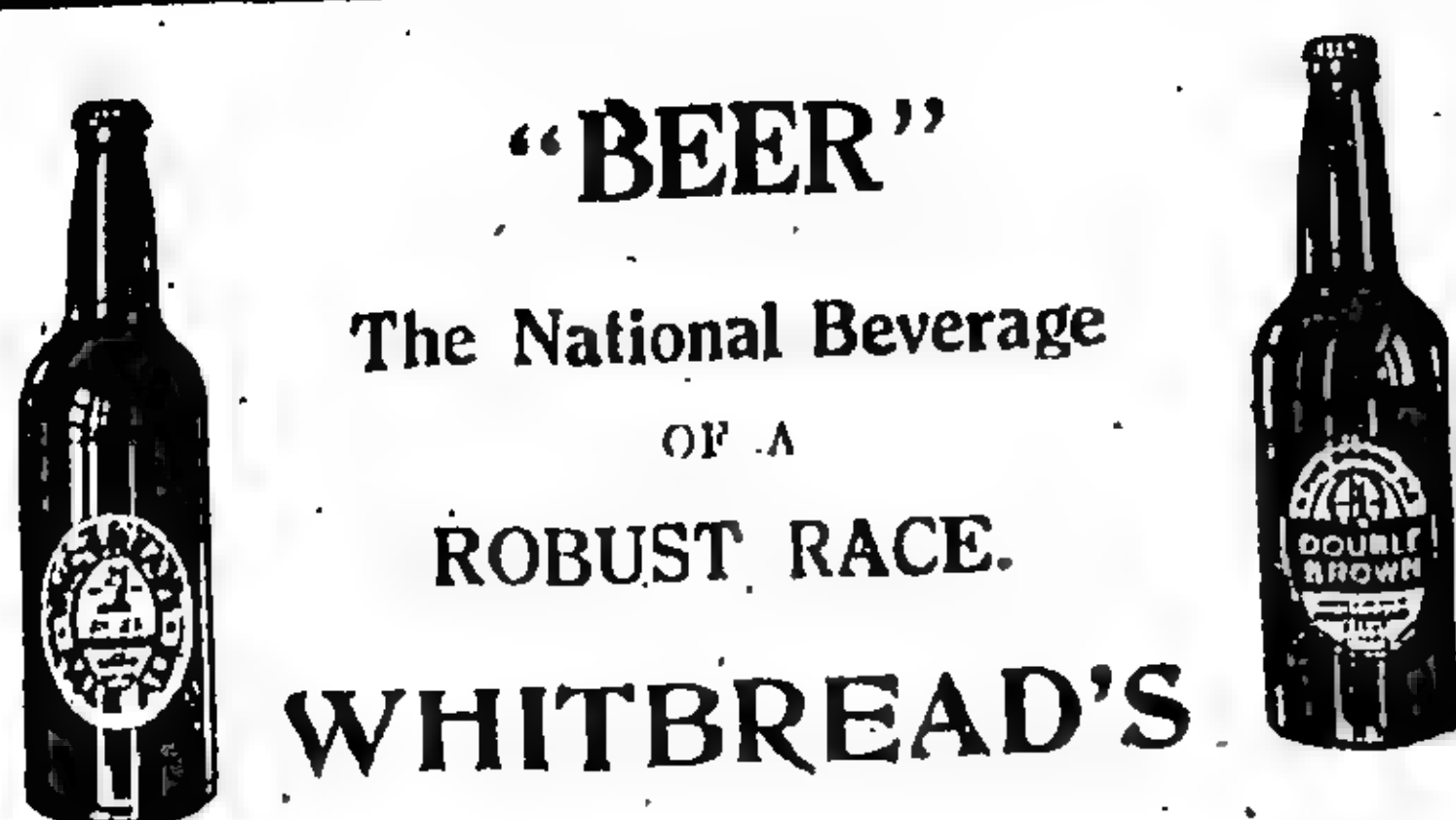
YES—AM I GOING TO RUN OUT OF LAUGHS... I WISH I WAS HOME IN MY OWN BED!!

LOOK, OSSIE! THEY'RE COMING FOR US!! AN IT'S ONE OF THOSE AUDACIOUS... BOY! I WANT TO SEE HOW IT DROPS IN HERE!! OH RILEY, LOOK!!

YESSS... HOT DOGS!! BUT WHAT'S THAT ELECTRIC FAN FOR, ON TOP? YSR... IT'S COMIN' THIS WAY!!

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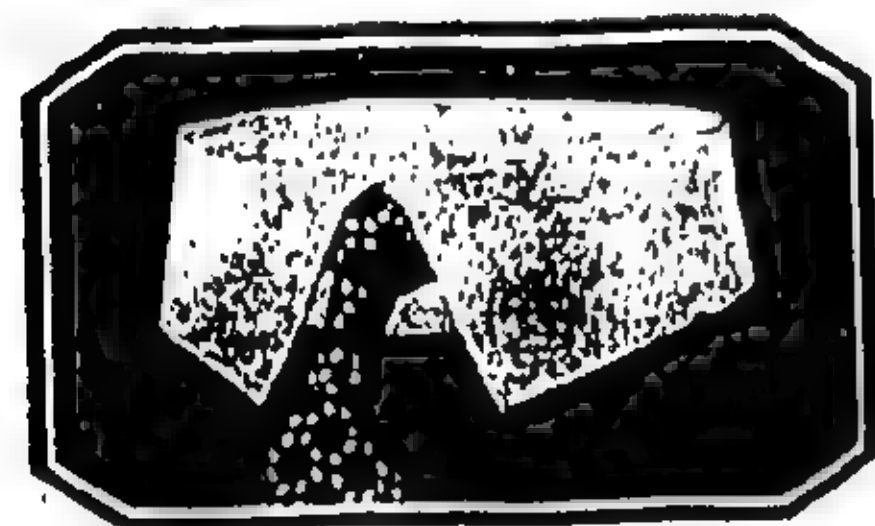
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#### DEATH.

ROCHA—Andrew, 1501a, Rochu, wife of R. L. Rocha. Devotedly mourned. Funeral at 4 p.m. today.

The  
**Hongkong Telegraph.**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1932

#### CIVIC WORK.

"The year's work of your Committee has not been without its quota of disappointments and problems unsolved, but something at least has been accomplished, and we are able to claim many improvements in the amenities of Kowloon as the result of our endeavours." In these modest words does the annual report of the Kowloon Residents Association summarise its activities for the past year. A glance through the text of the report, as well as the appendices which contain details of the correspondence on an amazing variety of subjects, gives a far more vivid idea of the matters which have been handled during the twelve months. With a record of more than ten years to its credit, the Kowloon Residents Association occupies a somewhat unique position. The general experience in the past has been for new organisations to spring into being, blossom into prominence in the first flush of enthusiasm, then gradually languish and finally disappear. So far from this being the case with the K.R.A., it has gone on from strength to strength, until to-day it is a more "lively" and active body than at any time during the period of its existence. Its officers are men who have taken on a definite job of work, a job which has no end, and who show no signs of wearying in the self-imposed task. They are animated with one single aim—the improvements of the amenities of life across the harbour. In this work, all classes and races unite, thus demonstrating the spirit of concord in an essentially practical manner. All find a common platform in seeking to further communal well-being.

In the past year, the Association has continued to work on lines which past experience has shown to be wise. The committee does not set itself up in the role of expert grovellers; rather is its policy one of taking note of deficiencies in civic matters, inven-

ting complaints from residents and, by means of co-operating with the authorities, seeking to remedy genuine grievances. Working along these lines, it has during the past year engaged itself in such matters as bathing, hospital and postal facilities, traffic issues, children's playgrounds, New Territories produce, police and fire protection, and a host of other subjects touching on the amenities of the mainland. The correspondence contained in the report shows that satisfaction has been obtained on the majority of these questions, much to the benefit of residents of the peninsula. One point which we are afraid is likely to be overlooked is the value of such an Association in offering advice and suggestions to the Government. These are based on actual experience by those on the spot, men who know the needs of the community far better than Officialdom ever can do. Many Government projects which may be admirably conceived often lack this background of personal experience with the real necessities, and it is here that such an Association as the K.R.A. is able to be of the utmost value both to the Government and the community.

When we look back over the history of the Association, we can see ample evidence of its utility and of the results of its activities. Without such a body, the community's complaints would merely be voiced in individual grumbling, leading nowhere and accomplishing nothing. In place of this, we have considered thought given to the problems of the peninsula, followed by appropriate action conducing to the community's welfare. A moment's cogitation along these lines should suffice to convince every resident of the peninsula of his duty in lending the Association every support.

#### English—an Oriental Language.

Remarkable to some of our tourist visitors is the fluency with which the Chinese express themselves in English. It is not realised until they have been here for some days that English has developed into the second language. This is true not only of China but also of Asia; indeed, it may be called the continent's lingua franca. A common tongue is necessary even within national limits. In Asia, India is the example most often used, but in China, too, the homogeneity of the country is tempered by a confusion of dialects. It is true that the written language of China has a nationwide application, but often the employment of writing is inconvenient, as, for instance, on a car or a bus, where it is not uncommon to see an educated Chinese conversing with the ticket collector in pidgin English. In consequence of this demand for a medium of speech, the quest to learn English exceeds in eagerness the pursuit of any other learning. In Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan enthusiasm knows no bounds. Lingual diversity is not the explanation in this case, but a realisation that English is the passport to business preferment in a world which is being steadily organized on a Western basis. On the theory that practice makes perfect, the Oriental neophyte will dash in where linguists fear to tread, with amusing results. The following letter—culled from a Chinese newspaper—which was sent to a foreigner by a Chinese business house, is a good example: "However by explanation of the facts and presentation of our company's certification, they could make free from holding and reach after two days. Hoping you would deduce the misreports of the newspaper chused you some troublesness and ask us further in need." Even if he were told of his mistakes, the writer would not be nonplussed; instead, he would use the correction as a spur to his gallant quest for progress until he had reached the agency which is the subject of comment wherever Orientals come in daily contact with Occidentals.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday afternoon approved the form of notice submitted, prohibiting spitting in outdoor houses, and granted an application for the registration of a shop near No. 1, Wongchong Road as a dairy. Other business was of a formal nature. Those present included Mr. G. R. Sayer (Chairman), the Medical Officer of Health (Dr. G. W. Pope), Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. J. H. Gelling (Secretary), and Mr. J. Hargreaves (Assistant Secretary).

## DAY BY DAY

TO PREPARE US FOR COMPLETE LIVING IS THE FUNCTION WHICH EDUCATION SHOULD PREPARE FOR DIRECT SELF-PRESERVATION, FOR INDIVIDUAL SELF-PRESERVATION, FOR CITIZENSHIP, FOR THE MISCELLANEOUS REFINEMENTS OF LIFE.—*Spencer.*

Bert and Alice, Australia's famous burlesque and character dancers, after a most successful season in Shanghai, are now performing in the Rose Room at the Peninsula Hotel.

The President and Committee of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a donation of £20 (at 1s. 6d. = \$270.42) from the ship's company of H.M.S. Kent.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Robert Walter Lane, of No. 8 Kelmessett Gardens, Shanghai, and Miss Mary Anne Storey, who is travelling out to Hongkong on board the s.s. Patroclus.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Kowloon Residents Association is advertised to be held in the St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Friday, February 26, at 6 p.m. to be followed immediately by the twelfth annual general meeting.

A fisherman who was using dynamite for fishing off Sai Kung yesterday had his right hand badly injured and was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The victim, Shek Chan-ho, aged 25, was a member of a fishing crew on board boat No. 1035 V.

Mr. W. C. Costin, who was a guest at yesterday's Rotary Club luncheon, is a Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford, and is at present travelling under a Rhodes Scholarship. He was a member of the British Group who attended the recent conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations. He has recently arrived in Hongkong from Japan and will travel home by way of Indo-China. He expects to be back in England about the middle of April.

Transferring from Kowloon to Wanchai, Harcourt's Circus last night gave their opening show on the new pitch to a large and thoroughly appreciative audience. All the features contained in the programme given in Kowloon were repeated with great success, and the artistes were all vociferously received. There is no doubt that Harcourt's Circus will enjoy as successful a season in Hongkong as it did on the Peninsula.

## SUGAR MARKET.

### THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pen-treth and Co.

#### London Terminals.

March 6 1/2 down 1 1/2 d.  
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March—94 down 1 pt.  
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July 105 down 2 pts.  
September 111 down 2 pts.  
December 116 down 3 pts.

## In the Citadel of Hitler.

By SISLEY HUDDLESTON.

MEDIEVAL Munich charmed me. I walked much in its old streets and across its cobbled squares and looked upon its Gothic buildings and ate in its low-arched cellars. Life in these ancient German cities, I thought, somehow does not change fundamentally, and Henry the Lion, who founded Munich in the twelfth century, would not disown modern Munich. "Let us," said my companion, "go to Hitler's meeting to-night." And then I wondered whether Henry the Lion, after all, would approve of modern Munich. I remembered that just as Camille Desmoulins had jumped on a table in a Paris cafe and by crying "To arms!" had started the French Revolution, so Hitler, a few years ago, had tried to start his putsch in a Munich cafe. "A quiet Old World city," my companion had told me; but do things like that really happen in quiet Old World cities? Hitler had failed, but his failure was the foundation of his success. His movement, which now tries to keep within the law, but is nevertheless directed against authority, as at present constituted, has grown enormously; there are 60,000 Germans who will vote for his candidates and there are 107 Hitlerites elected to the Reichstag. But Hitler has always remained faithful to the Bavarian city of Henry the Lion, and here is his citadel.

I had seen his headquarters, Hitler House, as it deserves to be called; I had watched him and his lieutenants at work; but now it was proposed that I should see him, surrounded by his bodyguard, arousing by passionate speech by enthusiasm of a vast crowd. Yes, that was the Hitler I wanted to observe; not Hitler the organizer, but Hitler the orator.

"It's in a working-class district," remarked my companion; "and if there are Communists there may be trouble." It is true that at Berlin and in other large cities there have been fights between Communists and National Socialists as the Hitlerites are designated; but at Munich, at Munich the quiet Old World city, such violent events were almost unthinkable.

So we went, and our optimism was justified. Rarely have I been present at a more orderly, a more attentive, a more earnest public meeting. Imagine one of those large halls in which Germans gather to eat, talk, read the newspapers, listen to music—a vast unbroken floor space without nooks or corners, an immense oblong which the eye can survey at a sweep. This floor space was covered with long tables at each of which two dozen persons could sit themselves; for the German is nothing if he is not gregarious, and does not ask to sit by himself or to be put out of view.

Thousands of us were waiting for Adolf Hitler. In the meantime we were consuming pumpernickel and cheese, or munching pretzels. We would continue to nibble at our pumpernickel and our pretzels even when Adolf the Lion was roaring. Everywhere the swastika. There hook crosses were conspicuous on the walls, on the platform.

But see him now on the platform. There stand by him on either side two sentinels in khaki shirts. They are perfectly still. Their heels are together, their bodies upright, one hand carefully placed on the seam of their knickerbockers, the other on their belt. They stare straight before them; fixed rigid features, firm-set eyes. It must be hard to hold that attitude for long; but they do not budge. After some time—it may be a quarter of an hour—they are relieved. Two other young men step forward, salute, make a half turn, and the relieved picket abandons his post.

Flanked then by two sentries, Hitler speaks. He begins slowly, cautiously, but he warms to his work and is truly eloquent. It is an eloquence which is based chiefly on scorn, on sarcasm, on mockery. How he belabours the orthodox parties! How he makes even this stolid, attentive German audience laugh and cheer and become enthusiastic! It veritably feels that salvation for Germany, oppressed by unjust treaties, oppressed by non-German financiers, oppressed by speculators and insincere politicians, is to be found in a revival of Germanic consciousness. These folk have suffered, they have passed through war, through revolution, through inflation, through unemployment; and they are ready to blame everybody, at home and abroad, who has participated responsibly in the successive events.

Hitler is curious to watch. He is dressed in black, which emphasizes his aliveness; he dances backward and forward; he bows and leans sideways with grace; he moves his arms like a ballerina; he is indeed a master of deportment—almost, one would say, a dancing master. He is on tip-toe; his knees are bent; his foot flashes as he takes a step and then another step. As for his face, it is strangely mobile; there is scorn about the mouth, there is strength in that sudden setting of the jaw; the eyes, which turn frequently and show the white, are rather dull, but they convey humour, indignation, and aspiration by their rolling.

And his voice is excellent; it is deep and rich and changing; it is mostly grave, and now and again shrill; it takes on all inflections, out of the common, but it is never the German's "bitter."



"I never seen such a dull to wn. Why, back in the village there wasn't a minute the boys weren't up to something interesting."

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Photos show a wounded Japanese marine being brought in by Red Cross men in the recent operations outside Shanghai.

## A VLADIVOSTOCK INCIDENT.

### TWO JAPANESE ARRESTED.

Riga, Feb. 16. A great military festival campaign is being organised by the Soviet Government in connection with the celebration of the fourteenth anniversary of the establishment of the Red Army, beginning on February 20.

The official programme for the festivities dwells upon the dangers in the Far East and the intention to prepare to defend Soviet territory against aggression.

The Soviet newspapers now publish the story of an incident in which two Japanese were involved, at Vladivostock on January 17, when the Soviet military arrested Mr. Sakabe and Mr. Sienoku Mito, both secretaries in the Japanese Consulate, for attempting to gain access to the Dalavoid Works.

Both have since been released.

## VIOLATIONS OF COVENANT.

### NO RECOGNITION BY LEAGUE.

Geneva, Feb. 16. After a long discussion, the League Council decided to adopt Sir John Simon's suggestion that another appeal be made to Japan to refrain from hostilities.

The meeting of the Council lasted from five o'clock until 6.30. It was decided to address an appeal forthwith to Japan, reminding her of her obligations under the League Covenant and urging a cessation of hostilities.

The appeal was communicated to the Japanese delegation this evening and will be published tomorrow.

It is two pages long and covers much the same ground as the declaration of the President read at the last meeting of Council, and refers to Article Ten guaranteeing the territorial integrity of members of the League, pointing out that no violation could be recognised.—*Reuter*.

## DUCE'S DAUGHTER IN SHANGHAI.

### TELEGRAM TO THE POPE.

(Reuter's Special Service).

Rome, Feb. 16. The Pope has to-day received a telegram from Signor Mussolini's daughter, Edda, and her husband, Count Ciano, the Italian Consul-General in Shanghai.

The telegram is the sequel to a special inquiry by the Pope for news of the Countess Ciano, during his recent audience with Signor Mussolini, when he assured Duce of his daily prayers for her behalf.

## "BIG SWORDS" IN SHANGHAI.

### STREET FIGHTING TO-DAY.

Shanghai, Feb. 17. Judging by the Japanese preparations it would appear that they will commence their general offensive from districts north of Kiangwan Road. Chinese sources state that thousands of Japanese soldiers are taking up positions in the trenches which are only a few hundred yards from the first Chinese defensive line. A resumption of street fighting in this district is considered inevitable to-day. No further attempt was seen.

## THE POISON GAS FABLE.

### JAPANESE USE OF SMOKE-SCREENS.

Washington, Feb. 16. An emphatic denial that the Japanese are intending to use poison gas in their operations around Shanghai has been issued by the Japanese Military Attaché.

"I have received information from the Japanese General Staff," he says, "that the Japanese forces have never used poison gas and have no intention of using it in the future."

"Our troops are equipped with devices for laying smoke-screens, which are only a means of covering their movements. The smoke set up does not contain any poisonous elements." *Reuter*.

## OFFICIALS KEEP ON TALKING.

### DEPRESSION OVER WASHINGTON.

Washington, Feb. 16. Sir Ronald Lindsay called at the State Department again to-day and conversed at some length with Mr. Cullen, the Under-Secretary of State, who also talked with Mr. Cullen, the French Ambassador.

The feeling of depression in official circles regarding the Far Eastern situation persists. It is believed that there is little hope that the Japanese will refrain from a large scale attack unless the Chinese voluntarily withdraw, which is most unlikely.

Shells dropping into the Settlement is a matter giving rise to increased anxiety, but Washington officials believe that the Consuls are doing their utmost to protect the foreign concessions. *Reuter's American Service*.

## CHINKIANG AFFAIR.

### CLASH ON WATERFRONT.

Nanking, Feb. 17. The Foreign Ministry is negotiating with the Japanese Consular authorities for the settlement of an incident at Chinking where some Japanese marines clashed with the Chinese soldiers.

The Japanese naval commander communicated with General Ku Chiu-tung, demanding a personal apology from the Chinese commander and compensation.

The ultimatum expired yesterday and the Japanese commander is threatening to take action to obtain satisfaction. Nanking officials are endeavouring to settle the incident with the Japanese Consul in Nanking. The situation in Chinking is critical. *Reuter*.

## NAVAL PROMOTION.

### REAR-ADMIRAL JONES ADVANCED.

London, Feb. 16. The Admiralty announce the following promotion: Rear Admiral William Jones to be Rear Admiral Commanding the Battle Cruiser Squadron, in succession to Vice Admiral Wilfred Tomlinson, undated.—*British Wireless*.

Local Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone central over N.E. China has strengthened further. Local forecast:—East winds, strong; fair.

made by the Japanese to cross from Wantsoopang, where the Chinese soldiers have a very strong defensive position. The Chinese defenders were greatly reinforced yesterday by the arrival of a full division from North China and the "big sword" regiments from north-western China which are believed to be under the command of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang.—*Reuter*.

## BRITISH TARIFF MEASURE.

### PASSES ITS SECOND READING.

### BANKER'S VIEWS.

London, Feb. 16. The House of Commons to-night defeated an Opposition Labour motion for the rejection of the Import Duties Bill by 461 votes to 78. The Bill was given a second reading.

During the debate, Sir Robert Horne welcomed the fact that it provided a means of retaliation against any country which discriminated against Britain, and said the Bill would bring freer trade than this country had enjoyed for the last two generations. It was a measure on which could be built a scientific system, which would be formed by the proposed Advisory Committee.

Dealing with the list of exempted goods, he suggested that a fair criterion to apply would be that if Britain and the Empire together or separately did not produce enough to supply the needs of British manufacturers, then *prima facie*, at least, the commodity concerned should be exempted from duty.

### Coal Duty in France.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, stated that the French Government had informed Britain of a decision to exempt British coal from the imposition of the 15% surtax.

The question of the application of the surtax to other goods remained for further consideration. The announcement was greeted with cheers, and a Conservative member observed:—"Is not this the first illustration of the result of our tariff policy?"

Answering various questions, Mr. Runciman said it is the Government's intention to continue to use the powers they had under the Abnormal Importations Customs Duties Act, if it became necessary to do so, although he could not indicate what might be included in any future order. *British Wireless and Reuter*.

## BALANCING THE BUDGET.

### THE LATEST FIGURES SATISFACTORY.

London, Feb. 16. The weekly Exchequer receipts issued to-night are again highly satisfactory.

Last week's revenue amounted to £33.7 millions, and as expenditure was only £28 millions, the surplus on the week totalled £5.7 millions. This reduced the deficit during the week from £100 millions to £74.3 millions. The deficit last year at the present date was £98 millions.

Income tax and surtax receipts continue satisfactory. The revised Budget contemplated a total from these sources of £345 millions, of which £265.3 millions had been received up to Saturday. Thus £79.7 millions remain to be collected before the financial year ends on March 31st, whereas last year the amount outstanding at this date was £115 millions.

Since January 1st, the Exchequer has received £107.5 millions, compared with £111.5 millions in the corresponding period of last year from these sources. Customs revenue is also showing a weekly increase and £13 millions more were received than at the same date last year.—*British Wireless*.

## THE ROYAL SCOTS FUSILIERS.

### OFF TO PALESTINE NEXT WEEK.

London, Feb. 16. The Prince of Wales today flew to Borden Camp, Aldershot, on a farewell visit to the 1st Battalion Royal Scots Fusiliers, of which he is Colonel-in-Chief. The Battalion leaves for Palestine next week.—*British Wireless*.

Appearing on a summons for failing to take proper precautionary measures for the safety of pedestrians, Mr. A. W. Miller, in charge of the work of repairs being carried out on Alexandra Building, was cautioned by Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistrate's court this morning. Sergeant Woods prosecuting, said debris fell into Chatter Road the day after he had warned defendant. He was not pressing the case. Appearing for the defendant, Mr. M. A. de Silva explained that Mr. Miller had warned the workman, but unfortunately he was taken ill and was absent on the day of the alleged offence.

## DEFENDANTS FAIL TO APPEAR.

### FISHERMAN HOLD UP SESSIONS.

### BRIBERY CHARGE.

Two fishermen, Lam Hoi-yip and Lam Hoi-ko, failed to appear on bail at the Criminal Sessions this morning to answer a charge of offering a bribe of \$60 to Inspector G. A. Stimson at Aldridge Bay, Shaokwan, and the case was adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. Hia Shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. Hall, appeared on behalf of the defendants and Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith attended for the Crown.

To Mr. Justice Lindsell, Mr. Lo said the defendants were not in court because unfortunately they had left the harbour to go fishing. He asked his Lordship to adjourn the case to a convenient date. He had advised the second defendant to plead guilty to the charge and the first defendant to plead not guilty, and he felt sure both men fully appreciated the position before they left for their fishing.

Mr. Whyte Smith, in reply to the judge, said that he did not wish the defendants' bail to be estimated as he thought it would impose rather a severe hardship. His Lordship decided to adjourn the case until to-morrow to give time for the men to return, but intimated that the proceedings would be held over until the next Sessions.

### WEAK MORTAR.

### CONTRACTOR FINED \$500.

The Cheun Lee firm of building contractors were fined \$500 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court to-day on a P.W.D. summons for using weak mortar in the construction of three buildings, all of three storeys, in Cheong Ming Street, Wongsichong.

Mr. J. Dobson, an engineer of the P.W.D., told the Court that the cement plaster being used for the walls, could be crushed in one's hands.

Replying to a statement by the defendants, his Worship observed that if he left the work in charge of a subordinate and then expected the public to live in the buildings, he was looking for very serious trouble.

## SAVED LIFE OF GOVERNOR.

### A KNIGHTHOOD FOR BRAVERY.

London, Feb. 16. H.M. the King has been pleased to approve the conferment of a Knighthood on Lieutenant Colonel Hassan Suhra Wardy, Vice-Chancellor of Calcutta University, who was largely instrumental in saving the life of Sir Stanley Jackson, Governor of Bengal, when an attempt on his life was recently made by a girl student.—*British Wireless*.

## PREMIER'S GOOD PROGRESS.

### LEAVING NURSING HOME TO-DAY.

London, Feb. 16. The Prime Minister will probably leave the nursing home to-morrow, having made good recovery from his operation. He may attend the usual Wednesday Cabinet meeting, and will remain in London for a few days before leaving to take the three weeks' rest ordered by his doctors.—*British Wireless*.

## THAMES STRIKE TO END.

### RESUMPTION EXPECTED TO-MORROW.

London, Feb. 16. The strike of Thames lightermen and tugmen is expected to end as the result of negotiations proceeding between the men and employers. Work will in all probability be resumed on Thursday morning.—*British Wireless*.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts have received a cable from their Shanghai office stating that the Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd., are paying a final dividend of T\$1.86 per share (making T\$1.06 for 1931) and carrying forward to next year's account T\$500,000.00.

## RADIO BROADCAST

### EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A. DEBATE RELAY.

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5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.  
6.00-6.30 p.m. Children's Programme.  
7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme.  
7.00 p.m. Mail Notice, etc.  
7.05-7.30 p.m. Musical Comedy and Talkie Tunes.  
King of Jazz-Selection.  
Regal Cinema Orchestra. DX72.  
Funnv Face-Tell the Dore.  
Leslie Henson and Male Quartette. 9502.  
Folly to be Wise-Selection.  
Percival MacKey and His Band. DX219.  
Rio Rita-I'd Rather Have a Memory of You.  
Geoffrey Gwyther and Edith Day. DX54.

7.30-7.50 p.m. From the Studio.  
Mrs. H. M. Broadbent will conclude her lecture on "Twenty Years in Burma".  
8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).

7.50-8.12 p.m. Octels.  
Second Movement from "Symphonie Pathétique" (Tchaikovsky arr. Robertson).  
Scene de Ballet (de Berlet arr. Sear).  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octel. 9525.  
Putting the Clock Back (arr. Squire).  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octel. DX68.  
8.12-8.33 p.m.

Ma Mere L'Oye (Mother Goose) (Ravel).  
Walter Damrosch conducting the New York Symphony Orch. 9516-9518.  
8.33-9.00 p.m. Variety.  
An Old Time "Sing-Song".  
Descriptive with Charles Coburn in the Chair. DX21.  
Song-If Winter Comes.  
Billy Bennett (Comedian). DX13.  
Xylophone Duet.  
The Royal Fagant.  
The Famous Barnardo Musical Boys. 4494.

Descriptive Sketch.  
A Day's Broadcasting.  
Clapham and Dwyer. 4745.  
9.00-10.00 p.m. (approx.).

Relay of the Debate from the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon. The Motion—"That Modern Youth is Fulfilling its Responsibilities".  
Speakers:  
Mr. E. F. Selk.  
Mr. R. Brown.  
Mr. T. J. Price.  
Mr. W. J. Keates.

10.00-10.18 p.m. Orchestral.  
Schubertiana (Schubert arr. Finck).  
Herman Finck and His Orch. 9480.  
Tchaikowskiana (arr. Hand).  
Paul Whitteman and His Orch. 9470.  
10.18-10.30 p.m.

Rugby Mid-day Press News and Board of Trade London Letters.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

All Columbia Records in the above European Programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

## AMAZING STORY IN COURT.

### CONSTABLE'S THREAT WITH REVOLVER.

An amazing story of a Weihaiwei constable's conduct was related at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning when P. C. Miao Fung-hsu was charged before Mr. Fraser with stealing a dollar in money and misconducting himself as a police officer.

Prosecuting, Inspector Clark said shortly after 11 a.m. yesterday, Sergeant Brown, who was on duty at the Mongkok Police Station, saw a man rushing into the Station with a revolver in his hand. On enquiries, he told a story which sent Inspector Ellis post haste to a house in Argyl Street, where defendant had been detained.

It was alleged by this man, who was the master a shop selling cakes and cigarettes, that defendant went into his shop at about 10.35 a.m. yesterday when a mah-jongg game was in progress. Defendant went to the rear of the house to ascertain that nobody else was on the premises, and returned to the mah-jongg game. From one of the drawers of the gaming table, he emptied all the money and did likewise to another drawer.

On being remonstrated with by Ng Heung, one of the men taking part in the game, defendant was alleged to have taken out his revolver and threatened him with it. Ng Heung, however, pluckily closed in with the defendant, and the five men who were in the house at the time detained the defendant, and the master of the shop rushed to the Mongkok Police Station to make a report.

It was alleged that whilst the master was away making the report, defendant threw the money away in the rear of the premises. When Inspector Ellis arrived, he made a search and recovered T\$1.06 in money at the back of the house. The case was adjourned until 11.30 a.m. on Tuesday.



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## STARVATION TOWN.

### THE DOGS EATEN.

Vienna, Jan. 13. The upper Austrian town of Steyr, once the flourishing centre of the iron industry, is now a town of starving unemployed, hungry beggars and underfed children. It has been reduced to this condition by the discontinuance of the production of small arms since the war, the ban on the exportation of motor-cars and cycles to neighbouring States, and the general economic crisis.

A large part of the population of 22,000 is compelled to live on begging, and the bankruptcy of the town is imminent. Inmates of charitable institutions are allowed to leave the homes on Fridays when they go begging from house to house.

Among the beggars are an ex-vice-burgomaster and former merchants and manufacturers. Children have founded begging organisations, while adult beggars have divided quarters of the town among themselves, so that collisions are avoided.

Families of as many as 12 are living in one unheated room; lying on straw, without bed clothes.

## COMING SHORTLY TO THE KING'S



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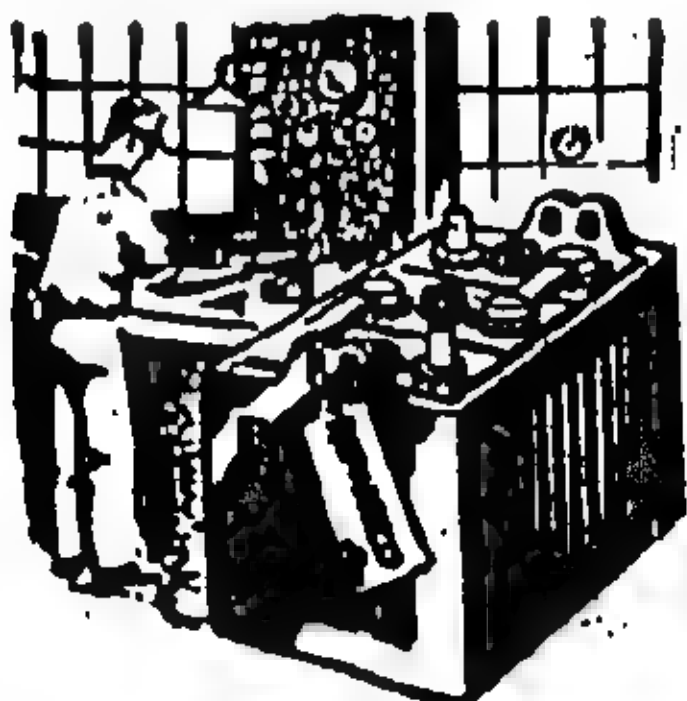
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YOUNG CHINESE GOOD FORM.

E. C. Fincher negotiated his first hurdle in the current open men's singles tennis championship yesterday, when he defeated K. H. Wong with the loss of one game. The match offered little interest to the spectators, though a big "ring" surrounded the court to watch the exchanges.

Tsui Wai-pui, one of the most promising of the young Chinese competitors, was never extended against S. A. Gray, though he showed enough of his form to suggest future success. He will probably meet H. D. Rumjahn in the third round and should win, in which event he would in the following round oppose E. C. Fincher. This will probably prove Fincher's stiffest proposition before the quarter-finals.

H. D. Rumjahn was far from physical fitness when he took the court yesterday, but he won with ease against his less experienced opponent, D. D. McKay, though the latter revealed a pleasing style and a knowledge of the game which should serve as an excellent basis for future improvement.

Only three matches in the first round now remain for decision, and they are included in this afternoon's programme. If the weather holds good there is every prospect that the first and second rounds in the competition will, for the first time, be completed in the opening week of play.

The results in detail were:

Open Singles.

(First Round).

E. C. Fincher beat K. H. Wong 6-1, 6-0.

Lee Wai-tsoi beat G. W. A. Tuffon 6-0, 6-3.

G. Grosse beat P. C. Koh 6-2, 6-4.

Tsui Wai-pui beat S. A. Gray 6-1, 6-0.

G. Lai beat C. E. Holmes 6-1, 6-0.

H. D. Rumjahn beat D. D. McKay 6-1, 6-3.

To-day's Programme.

No. 1 Court:—Lee Wai-tong v. J. G. Lecky.

No. 2:—A. V. Gosano v. Yew Man-ki.

No. 3:—H. N. Lee v. Lu Tak-cheuk.

No. 4:—J. A. E. Casumbhoy v. E. T. F. Nash.

No. 5:—S. A. Rumjahn v. H. N. Chau.

No. 6:—L. T. Ride v. A. H. Harkins.

No. 7:—T. C. Monaghan v. Tsui Yun-pui.

No. 8:—E. W. Ralston v. M. K. Lo.

No. 9:—A. L. Sullivan v. F. D. Pereira.

## SERVICES CRICKET.

R.A.S.C. DEFEAT THE  
MEDWAY.

Playing at Sookunpoo yesterday afternoon, the R.A.S.C. defeated a team from H.M.S. Medway by three wickets. Batting first, the naval team made 78 against some steady bowling by Whitley, who took four wickets for 22 runs and Gray, who claimed three victims for 23 runs.

The R.A.S.C. passed this score for the loss of seven wickets. Whitley giving an all-round performance by scoring 46 runs and Gray 23.

H.M.S. Medway.

E. R. A. Manwaring, b Whitley 11

E. R. A. Varley, b Gray 3

E. R. A. Spiers, b Whitley 11

P. O. Scott, c Keene, b Whitley 1

L. L. Mills, c Keene, b Whitley 2

S. B. A. Pooley, c Keene, b Kate 25

Sto. Sykes, b Gray 0

Lt. Commr. Barry, b Whitley 0

C. P. O. Hubbard, c Buckland, b Sudd 18

Lt. Commr. King, c Boreford, b Kate 8

Tel. Austin, not out 0

Extras 1

Total 78

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Whitley 8 2 4

Gray 9 2 2

Kate 3 2 10

Lazenby 2 1 1

Sudd 2 1 1

R.A.S.C.

Gray, c Spiers, b Sykes 21

Sudd, c Barry, b Pooley 12

Keene, b Pooley 4

Buckland, c Hubbard, b Pooley 7

Kate, c b Pooley 46

Whitley, b Spiers 13

Crowder, b Spiers 13

Funnell, b Spiers 0

Lazenby, c Spiers, b Manwaring 0

Boreford, not out 0

Randall, run out 11

Extras 11

Total 117

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Scott 4 1 15

Spiers 12 4 28

Pooley 5 1 17

Austin 1 1 5

Manwaring 3 1 13

FRIENDLY HOCKEY.

HONGKONG H.C. SECOND  
TEAM FOR MONDAY.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI against the Radio Sports Club on the Club ground on Monday at 5 o'clock:—R. W. Sapsed, E. V. Road, L. F. Nicholson, H. J. D. Lowe, E. O. S. Dale, J. H. Koeley, L. A. R. Duncanson, S. Hill, W. A. Nowers, L. G. S. Robertson and S. J. H. Fox.

Signals Defeat Police.

The Mamak hockey tournament match between the Royal College, Signals and the Hongkong Police, played on the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday, resulted in a victory for the former by 4 goals to nil.

SHANGHAI ON  
TIPTOES.AWAITING THE JAPANESE  
BIG PUSH.

PLAN INDICATED.

Shanghai, Feb. 16, 4.30 p.m. Shanghai is waiting with nervous expectancy for the big offensive which the Japanese are expected to launch on Thursday morning.

While there is every indication that Chiang Kai-shek, who is at present in Nanking, is striving for a peaceful settlement, the adamant attitude of the Japanese military authorities and the pressure of less far-sighted Chinese leaders is forcing him to prepare for war.

In this connexion five Chinese army corps are concentrating in the Shanghai-Nanking railway area with Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang as Commander-in-Chief of the forces in the field.

The possibility is visualised that the Japanese forces, 20,000 strong, after capturing Chapei, will find themselves confronted with 100,000 Chinese troops to the west of Shanghai in country where the Japanese are likely to be heavily handicapped by the frequency of tidal creeks impeding their movements, while the lightly armed Chinese troops have an intimate knowledge of the country and being able to put up a desperate resistance to the Japanese attack.—*Reuter.*

## Japan's Policy.

Tokyo, Feb. 16.

"Send all the men needed and withdraw as soon as the task is completed—that is my policy," the War Minister is quoted as saying in connexion with the possibility of further reinforcements being required in Shanghai.

While it is still hoped that the present force will be sufficient to drive back the Chinese 19th Route Army, if it refuses to withdraw voluntarily, officials are clearly worried, as they feel they are between the devil and the deep sea.

On the one hand they recognise the serious consequences if the Japanese meet with a reverse through an insufficiency of numbers, while on the other they are anxious to avoid the despatch of further reinforcements owing to financial difficulties and the liability of increasing apprehensions abroad.

In the meantime it is indicated that as the Japanese troops are unable to make a direct attack without endangering the International Settlement through artillery fire, they are likely to attempt an encircling movement, hoping thereby to compel the Chinese to withdraw through a threat on their line of retreat.—*Reuter.*

## A Melancholy Welcome.

Shanghai, Feb. 16, 4.30 p.m. The Japanese troops arriving on the last transport to reach Shanghai had a most melancholy introduction to the war. As they streamed down the gangway in full fighting kit, coffins containing the bodies of their dead comrades were being hoisted aboard for shipment to Japan.

The proceedings were watched by the sailors aboard H.M.S. Suffolk, one of whom expressed the general sentiment by exclaiming: "We never would have done this."

Enquiries at the hospitals in the Shanghai area reveal that 3,500 Chinese war casualties, both soldiers and civilians, have been attended to since midnight of January 28.—*Reuter.*

## Still Appealing.

Geneva, Feb. 16.

The League Council, after an hour and a half of discussion, decided in principle to address an appeal to Japan to reach a pacific settlement with China.

## Left to the Assembly.

The Council will hold a further meeting at 6 p.m., when a decision will be taken upon the text of the appeal as to whether the appeal shall be made.

A public meeting of the Council is fixed for February 18, when a decision will be taken. It is also understood that as an appeal has now been made to a special meeting of the Assembly, the Council decided that it would be unnecessary to discuss the second report from the Shanghai Commission, as this should more properly come before the Assembly.

The Japanese delegation has received instructions not to object to the Assembly meeting, on the grounds of procedure, but to let events take their course.—*Reuter.*

## A Middle Course.

Geneva, later.

The League appeal to Japan for peace was originated by Sir John Simon, who considered that now the peace efforts by the four Powers had resulted negatively, it would be desirable to make an appeal on behalf of the League.

An animated discussion resulted from some members advocating a strong line, while others were of a more conciliatory spirit.

The committee which will draft the appeal has been instructed to steer a middle course.

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FELL SEVEN  
STOREYS.

SOCIETY GIRL'S FATE

New York, Jan. 13.

Miss Mildred Fisher, a 32-year-old society woman, said to be well-known in New York, London and Paris society circles, was killed to-day when she jumped or fell from the seventh-story window of a friend's apartment house just before dawn.

The police found letters and diaries, indicating that she had been depressed over losses on the stock market, and was "bored with New York men." She wanted to rejoin her gay European friends, but could not, as she was without funds.

Mr. G. M. Fisher, her father, stated to-day that he had not seen his daughter since she ran away (some time 15 years ago).

Her diaries contain the names of many men and women in London, and of other society figures in European capitals whom the girl apparently knew intimately.

HONGKONG SHARE  
MARKET.OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY  
STOCK EXCHANGE.

Prices were further marked down this morning, and it is becoming increasingly clear that the local market is more and more being dominated by the unsettled situation in the North.

Sales.

Unions \$400.

Hotels (O/S) \$13.40.

Hongkong Land \$764 Ex. Div.

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Govt. Loans 3% Premium.

Sellers.

Douglases \$20 1/2.

Locks \$20.

Hotels (Old) \$13.60.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	87.11/16	87 1/2
Geneva	17.11/16	17 1/2
Berlin	14.9/16	14.52 1/2
Oslo	18 1/2	18 1/2
Helsingfors	22 1/2	22 1/2
Athens	27 1/2	27 1/2
Buenos Aires	27 1/2	27 1/2
Shanghai	1/10.16/16	9.46
New York	3.40	8.01 1/2
Amsterdam	8.54	32
Vienna	32	44.9/16
Madrid	44	57 1/2
Bucharest	1/5 1/2	—
Brussels	24 1/2	24.70
Milan	60 1/2	61 1/2
Stockholm	17 1/2	17 1/2
Copenhagen	18 1/2	18 1/2
Prague	117	109 1/2
Lisbon	109 1/2	4.3/11
Rio	4.3/16	—
Bombay	1/6.5/32	—
Yokohama	2/0 1/2	—
Montevideo	31	3.90
Montreal	3.98	—
Silver (spot)	19 1/2	—
(forward) 10.13/16	—	—

— British Wireless.

IN THE CITADEL OF  
TITLER.

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help themselves... No, No, and No! our greatness... unity and equality... So he goes on, and the mesh of hair falls across his forehead, and now the people are shouting approval. He has stirred some resounding chord in the German breast.

Afterward the troops line up, and with heavy tread, Hitler in their midst, they march down the hall, past cheering, table after table, and hands shoot up and voices cry "Heil!" and a section of the German people thinks it has found its hero and its champion.

Will that section be disillusioned?

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## Swiss President's Appeal.

London, Feb. 16.

At the Disarmament Conference meeting, resumed to-day, the Swiss President, M. G. Motta, made a strong appeal to all members of the League and to the United States, to make use of the Covenant of the League, and the Paris Pact in a final effort to restore peace in the Far East.—*British Wireless.*

NEW TRAMWAY  
RECORDS.DIESEL ENGINES  
PROPOSED.

NEW CAR SHED.

Fresh records for traffic receipts, passengers carried and miles operated were established by the Hongkong Tramways, Limited, during the past year, declared the Chairman of Directors, Mr. A. B. Stewart, when he addressed shareholders of the company at the annual ordinary general meeting to-day. Increased operation costs, however, due to the low exchange, had prevented a record profit.

In a long speech covering the Company's operations, Mr. Stewart announced the decision to erect an additional car shed and to fit some of the Kai Tak chassis with Diesel engines.

"In the speech from this chair three years ago," said Mr. Stewart, my predecessor informed you that the traffic receipts for the year (1928) with which he was dealing constituted a record and I am privileged to be able to tell you that fresh records have now been created for traffic receipts, passengers carried, miles operated and monthly tickets sold.

An improved traffic revenue of over two and a half lakhs and having carried over four million greater number of passengers is an excellent position to be able to report.

Largely due to the low average rate of exchange during the year our operating costs (in dollars) also increased by, approximately, \$115,000.00 with the result that the profit for the year is not a record. It is, however, greater by \$169,318.25 than the profit for 1930.

Shaukiwan Route.

The greatest traffic increase occurred on the Shaukiwan route. The first complete year of through running between Shaukiwan and Western Market was 1929 and a comparison between the figures of that year and those of 1931 in respect of this route shows a striking increase.

Thus, in two years, the passengers carried increased by nearly 34 millions or over 63 per cent. on this (our longest) route.

Since I last addressed you we have doubled the track between the North Point generating station and Ming Yuen and there are now only short stretches of single track remaining. It has been our experience that just as we increase facilities for a quicker service on the Shaukiwan route by the conversion of lengths of single to double track so does the traffic grow, and in view of strong indications that this route should require a three (instead of the present four) minutes service in the immediate future it was decided, in August last, to order five additional tramcars.

I am glad to say that these are now in service and our fleet of tramcars is increased to 91. As the track accommodation at our Russell Street depot is now taxed to its fullest capacity your Board has decided to build a small additional car shed—probably in the Quarry Bay area.

Kai-Tak Losses.

Our motor-buses on this side of the Harbour did better than last year—in fact the receipts per bus-mile increased by as much as 6.83 cents. This, however, was largely due to considerable pruning of the mileage which was less by 106,822 than in 1930.

After providing for depreciation the net loss on this unit works out at \$15,435.00.

I now come to the affairs of our subsidiary, the Kai Tak Motor Bus Co. (1926), Ltd., and regret to report an adverse balance on working, excluding depreciation, of \$43,791.85.

In spite of operating 92,000 less miles than in 1930 the increased costs of operation, including maintenance and repairs of bodies and chassis amounted to \$63,350. It was found necessary to completely rebuild the bodies of one third of our fleet. Petrol, however, was the greatest individual item of increased expense and during the month of December we were paying (including tax) 150 per cent. more per gallon, than we paid during the first six months of 1930. The petrol bill for 1931 was \$50,832 more than for 1930 and works out at an increased cost per bus-mile over the whole year of 114 per cent.

The Government in June last sanctioned a further increase in fares which was put into force on July 1st and, although our receipts improved, the number of passengers suffered a considerable decline. It is clear that the economic limit to which Kowloon fares can be raised has now been reached. Although receipts per bus-mile improved by 3.21 cents the expenses per bus-mile

increased by 7.64 cents of which 6.30 cents represents the increased cost per bus-mile for petrol.

Diesel Engine Popularity.

In my speech last year I said that the reign of the petrol engine appeared to be challenged by the Diesel or compression ignition engine and although this class of engine can now be had from several well-known manufacturers the utmost caution is being exercised at Home by motor-bus operators. Most of our Kai Tak buses are small 20-seaters and at present there does not appear to exist a Diesel engine small enough economically and efficiently to replace the modest petrol engine on these vehicles. It is, nevertheless, the present intention of your directors, during the current year, to purchase one or more new chassis which will be fitted with Diesel engines of the design which is considered best suited to the traffic conditions peculiar to the Kai-Tak routes.

I am glad to say that prospects for 1932 are a little brighter due to a reduction in the price of petrol by as much as 20 per cent. This is comparing the price to-day with the price last December.

Satisfactory Profit.

Dealing now with the Statement of Accounts before the meeting, I have already referred to the details of the Working Account. The profit for the year, \$910,613.93 shows the substantial increase of \$169,318.25 over the previous year, a result which I think you will agree is very satisfactory.

The item "Unclaimed Dividends, \$11,696.26" credited in Profit and Loss Account represents an accumulation of old balances which have been formally forfeited, these having been outstanding on the books in respect of dividend declarations prior to 1926.

Together with \$262,848.48 brought forward from last account, the total balance available amounted to \$1,178,462.86. As in past years the sum of \$68,000 has been written-off the "Goodwill and Construction Expenses" item. Two further appropriations—\$100,000 to Investment Reserve Account and \$200,000 to General Reserve—have also been made.

An Interim Dividend of 40 cents per share amounting to \$260,000 was paid in August last, and your Directors recommend a Final Dividend of 60 cents per share, making a total distribution for the year 1931 of \$1 per share. The balance sheet is in the customary form and the only items calling for explanation are the appropriations to Reserve.

The transfer of \$100,000 to Investment Reserve Account represents a necessary provision on account of our cash advances to the Kai Tak Motor Bus Company.

The General Reserve Account has remained at the figure







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## THE HISTORICAL NOVEL.

### LECTURE TO ENGLISH ASSOCIATION.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern presided at a very well attended meeting of the Hongkong Branch of the English Association, which took place yesterday evening in the Helen May Institute. The Chairman, after the minutes of the last meeting had been read and confirmed, introduced the lecturer, Mr. N. H. France, Reader in History at the University of Hongkong, who gave a very witty and interesting address on "The Historical Novel." Before the 18th century, there was no interest in history proper, and not many histories of these few serious ones were contemporary accounts of events, and the rest picturesque chronicles which showed no historical sense and were not the result of any careful investigation of the past. There was no attempt in pre-eighteenth century writings to get an historic atmosphere. In the early 18th century the only period of the past considered to be worth serious study was that of Greece and Rome; the rest was a mere interlude of barbarism. The interest in romance which rose during that century was one of the sources of the historical novel. The "Gothic" novel produced by Horace Walpole and Mrs. Radcliffe was its forerunner, but these writers made no attempt to give serious history; their novels were only picturesque, full of horror and elegant romantic sentiment. The historical novel, of which Scott's works may be said to be the first examples, made more serious pretensions to giving truth of history though it did not always do so.

Historical fiction which belongs to the literature of escape from the hard realities of life, and as such is not of the greatest type of literature which never loses touch with reality, had, when it was first produced, tremendous popularity; industrial England was very drab and the "merry England" legend was born. The peaceful citizen found in tales of the adventurous and chivalric past a compensation for his own dull and peaceful existence. This kind of novel has always been romantic rather than realistic in its treatment of former ages but it is very difficult to write well. The problem of language has seldom been solved successfully. Some historical novelists, like Scott, rely on a reproduction, often exaggerated, of archaic speech which is not convincing, but on the other hand to use bright modern idiom as others do destroys the historical illusion. George Moore's "Eloise and Abelard" is probably the most successful in avoiding the difficulty as the writer's exquisite and formal style is in itself a little archaic and there is no attempt at realism in the conversations.

History Text Book has been often compared unfavourably to the historical novel as being "dry stuff" and as not telling how people really lived, but Mr. France's own opinion of the value of the

## THREE KINDS OF LOVE.

(Continued from Page 3.)

those heavy undarm dress shields, and they got sort of smelly, and that, probably, was why she used the perfume. It couldn't be told—like the advertisements. Poor Mr. Rodfern—if he could afford to advertise—Business was so slack, right now. She must insist, to-morrow, that he write again to that man in Seattle. Phil's voice was going on and on. Was Phil, perhaps, doing more than 7 his share of the talking. She listened.

"Rot! This stream of consciousness stuff—slithering at sin, whimsical and coy about wickedness! These young moderns—these worshippers of sophomoric sophistications, squirming their words about, wallowing in sexual discussions and portrayals—rot! You say they'll live? I say that they have never been alive. They've never yelled when the doctor spanked them. They're stillborn. They—"

"But see here," Barry interrupted. "My brief was for the stylized—modern, if you like, though Shakespeare—"

"Shakespeare," Phil seized it, as if Barry had stolen it, and shook it at him, "Shakespeare—"

Underneath Phil's low rolling words Cecily murmured to Ann, "Can't you stop him?"

That was too silly of Cecily. If she wanted anything stopped, why didn't she stop it? Stop her Barry, whose face was red and who looked almost angry. Phil was not angry at all. Phil was merely intense. He always grew intense when the subjects of sin and wickedness and sex came up. Phil, thanks to his mother's excellent training, was something of a Puritan, he said. Ann was glad of it. It made him clean minded, made him honest and respect women—except that—well, that other sort. And he pitied them sincerely. He said that he did.

(To be Continued.)

historical novel in teaching was that actually it could give a little knowledge in a painless way, but it failed to give a true picture of the life and thought of the past. It tended to ignore unpleasant facts and led to unintelligent idealising and a failure to see the past in true perspective. Historical fiction is like a fancy-dress ball, modern characters in antique clothing, for it is very difficult for anyone to-day to realise fully the thoughts and feelings of other ages and so make the characters live. Mr. France, after a brief survey of the writings of Scott, Ainsworth, Henty, Dumas and other writers of historical fiction, concluded that none of them had really written great literature. The historical novelist has to rely on actions rather than on character; for the source of his knowledge is not life but books; if his novel is good it is good as an adventure story. Finally why should anyone read or write historical fiction when there are novels, crooks and adventures to delight in modern life, and English literature to reflect naturally and un-

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All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Friday, the 23rd February, 1932, or they will not be recognised.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goldard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 23rd February, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th February, 1932, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goldard and Douglas, Hongkong. Consignees are requested to have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are being examined.

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self-consciously the point of view and life of the past?

A discussion followed in which Mr. Southern, Professor Simpson, Mr. Braine-Hartnell, and Mr. Clabart took part. After moving a vote of thanks to the lecturer, the chairman announced that at the next meeting, to be held in the Helen May Institute on Tuesday, March 1, at 5.30 p.m., Mr. Southern would speak on "Hans Andersen." The meeting then adjourned.



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## PRIZE DAY AT KOWLOON.

## HEADMASTER APPEALS TO PARENTS.

## AWARDS PRESENTED.

An appeal to parents to realize the necessity of interesting their children in things to stir their intelligence was made by Mr. G. Franklin Nightingale, Headmaster of the Central British School, in presenting his report at the annual distribution of prizes at St. Andrew's Hall yesterday.

In presenting his report Mr. Nightingale said in part:

The number of days, 208, on which the school was opened was greater than that of previous years owing to the adoption of summer hours during the summer months. The maximum number on the roll was 266 (239 in 1930).

the average attendance during the whole year being 211 (141 in 1929, 190 in 1930). The attendance was generally satisfactory, though there were many cases of sickness due to malaria, influenza and dengue fever. The school continues to grow, indeed, I can see no signs of slackening in the requests for admission to this British school.

An I anticipated in my report for 1930, I was obliged to form three classes of over 30 pupils in each, the alternative being the refusal to admit further British children, a step I am always very loth to take, but which may become necessary in the near future. The following figures are interesting illustrating the growth of this school during recent years:—

Average Attendance.—1919, 71; 1923, 105; 1927, 130; 1931, 211.

Old Pupils' Association.

At the annual meeting, held in November, it was decided that the name of the Association should be changed and that it should be known in future as Central British Association. The roll of member-

ship has increased and a rugby section has been formed.

Of the three old pupils of the school studying at the University of Hongkong, Sheila Whitley successfully passed the B.A. degree examination in December. I have received gratifying news of distinctions gained by many of our old pupils who are at home Universities and Schools.

Audrey Hosford successfully passed into Bedford College, the results of her examination qualifying her for the Intermediate Science Certificate of the University of London. G. G. Edwards, our Cambridge 'blue', and J. Vicars at Liverpool are in their final year at the Universities. J. Tachell has just finished his school career and hopes to proceed to Cambridge in October next. R. A. Gervard has gained an International Rugby Cup, having played for England against the South Africans.

School Magazine.

During the year we issued the first number of our school magazine edited by Miss Munro and Miss Curtis to whose enthusiasm the success achieved is due. We have now a school badge, the front of which bears a school motto, 'Honesty ante Honores'.

University Examinations.

The results of the Examinations this year were very satisfactory. The Peace Memorial Scholarship, open under certain conditions, to all British boys resident in China, was awarded to A. H. S. Skinn, Form VI, the Examination being conducted by the School Certificate Syndicate of Cambridge University. This is the first time that the Scholarship, of the value of £1,350, has been won by a pupil of this school. We are all proud of this achievement and we shall follow Skinn's progress at Edinburgh University with great interest.

Of Form VI, five candidates successfully passed the Examinations of the University of Hongkong, four the Matriculation Examination, two gaining distinction in English, and one, the Senior Local Examination. The Montargis Senior French Prize for Government Schools was awarded to Stella Bander. Of Form V eleven of the fourteen candidates on the school roll in November were successful, gaining distinctions in English (3), Arithmetic, Scripture and Stenography (2).

At the Annual Examination of Forms IV—I the results were again satisfactory, 72% of the candidates gaining promotion to higher forms.

The following figures show in a very convincing manner the increase in the number of children in these forms during recent years. In 1929, 109 children were examined, in 1930, 153, and in 1931, 180.

Encouragement of Students.

I wish to stress here the advance that has been made at Central British School, in the study of English. We are continually adding to our English library for we realize that the basis for the acquisition of the power of clear, lucid thought and writing, is the encouragement of our young students to cultivate the habit of reading the best in literature. They are taught how to choose and tested, and many, both boys and girls, have begun to realize that their life at school is the beginning of a great adventure worth pursuing in a spirit of discovery. They are discovering the delights of literature, and reports of former pupils, here and at home, show that many have not lost this spirit of discovery but are putting

it into practice the industry and intelligence developed during their youthful career at school. To-day the things most wished for in any School are these qualities of industry, combined with intelligence. We can have industry without intelligence, but not intelligence without industry.

Appeal to Parents.

I appeal to you who are parents, to realize how great today is the necessity that you should interest your children in things that stir a man's intelligence. You should co-operate with us, the teachers of your children for a few hours each day, and supplement our work in your homes. We teachers attempt the building up of character in our schools but much of it will be jerry-building unless we develop intelligent thought and in this task we ask, nay, demand, in the interests of the children, the fullest co-operation of parents and guardians.

In conclusion I thank all the donors of Prizes, my Colleagues for their loyal co-operation and support, and the Vicar of St. Andrew's Church who so kindly gave us permission to use the Church Hall on this occasion. I wish also to thank you, Mrs. Southern, for honouring us with your presence here this evening and for so kindly consenting to distribute the prizes.

A Happy Speech.

At the conclusion of the distribution of prizes a particularly happy speech was made by Mrs. Southern, who said that she did not altogether agree with the writer of a recent article, who said that prizes should be given to the exceptionally brilliant for outstanding work. Most of us go to school in order to get some solid equipment for life, and in this hand world girls and boys and all of us have got to get down to hard work if we are going to add to the prosperity of the State.

Mrs. Southern added that she still retained most vivid recollections of her first impressions of school when she was a pupil and amongst those who had made a deep impression was Dr. Maud Rodden, who had recently written a most powerful book on 'Vence'. Mrs. Southern quoted an extract which was most apt in view of the deplorable happenings at the present time.

Mrs. Southern referred to the Scouts and Girl Guides, and said that she was glad to see that the Central School still retained the old enthusiasm. They were all sorry to lose Mrs. Lawson, who was going to Shanghai, and who had always taken the keenest interest in the movement. Everyone was glad to see Mrs. Owen Hughes back again.

At the conclusion of her address, Mrs. Southern asked Mr. Nightingale if he would grant the children a holiday, a request that brought forth vociferous applause from the juvenile members of the audience.

A beautiful basket of flowers was presented to Mrs. Southern by little Bessie Stevens, and the National Anthem concluded the meeting.

EXAMINATION RESULTS.

University of Cambridge School Certificate Examination:—A. H. S. Skinn, awarded the Peace Memorial Scholarship.

University of Hongkong Matriculation Examination:—S. M. Bander, distinction in English; A. Miller; A. Dobry; University of Hongkong Senior Local Examination:—I. Woolley;

## YOUNG AMAH FOUND GUILTY.

## STABBING INCIDENT ON THE PEAK.

Hearing was concluded yesterday of the case in which a young amah named Chau Sum was charged with the manslaughter of a cook at No. 112 The Peak.

After the case for the prosecution had been closed, the accused, in a statement from the dock, said that she did not mean to kill the deceased. She was holding the knife in her hand, and she only wished to threaten him so that he would not strike her.

No evidence was called for the defence, and after a short retirement, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a strong recommendation of mercy.

The Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kempt) in sentencing the prisoner, said that he accepted the accused's statement that the killing was not intentional, and also in view of the recommendation of the jury, would pass a light sentence. Accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

The jury comprised Messrs. H. W. Pomeroy (foreman), J. Lee, J. A. Lindsay, Lam Ming-fan, Walter A. A. D'Ancine and B. A. Young.

University of Hongkong Junior Local Examination:—N. Anniss; K. Clarke, distinction in Stenography; M. Clarke; M. Gardner, distinction in English; M. McCaw, distinction in English and Stenography; F. Bird, distinction in English; D. Gregory; V. Grunberg, distinction in Arithmetic; W. Maycock; J. Miller; J. Thirlwell, distinction in Biblical Knowledge; Montargis French Prize (Senior):—S. M. Bander.

Government Scholarships:—Form V D. Gregory; Form IV R. Jones; Form IIIA D. Harold; Form IIIB D. Taylor; Form IIA A. Mitchell; Form IIB J. Rabbit; Form IX H. Bunje; Form IB J. Jopling; Form IR D. Farrar.

Garrison Scholarships:—A. Allen, H. Clarke, I. Lambeth, R. Maycock, C. Sully, D. Smith, I. Witt.

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Headmaster's Prize:—S. M. Bander.

Wylie Composition Prize:—J. Sutter.

Ezra Abraham Scholarship:—A. Dobry.

War Memorial Prize:—M. Smalley.

History Prize (Presented by H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Esq.):—Form V F. Anslow; Form IV J. Bryson.

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French Prize (Presented by M. J. B. Montargis, Esq.):—Form V M. Clarke.

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G. METZINGER.....	12th Apr.	PORTHOUS.....	12th Apr.
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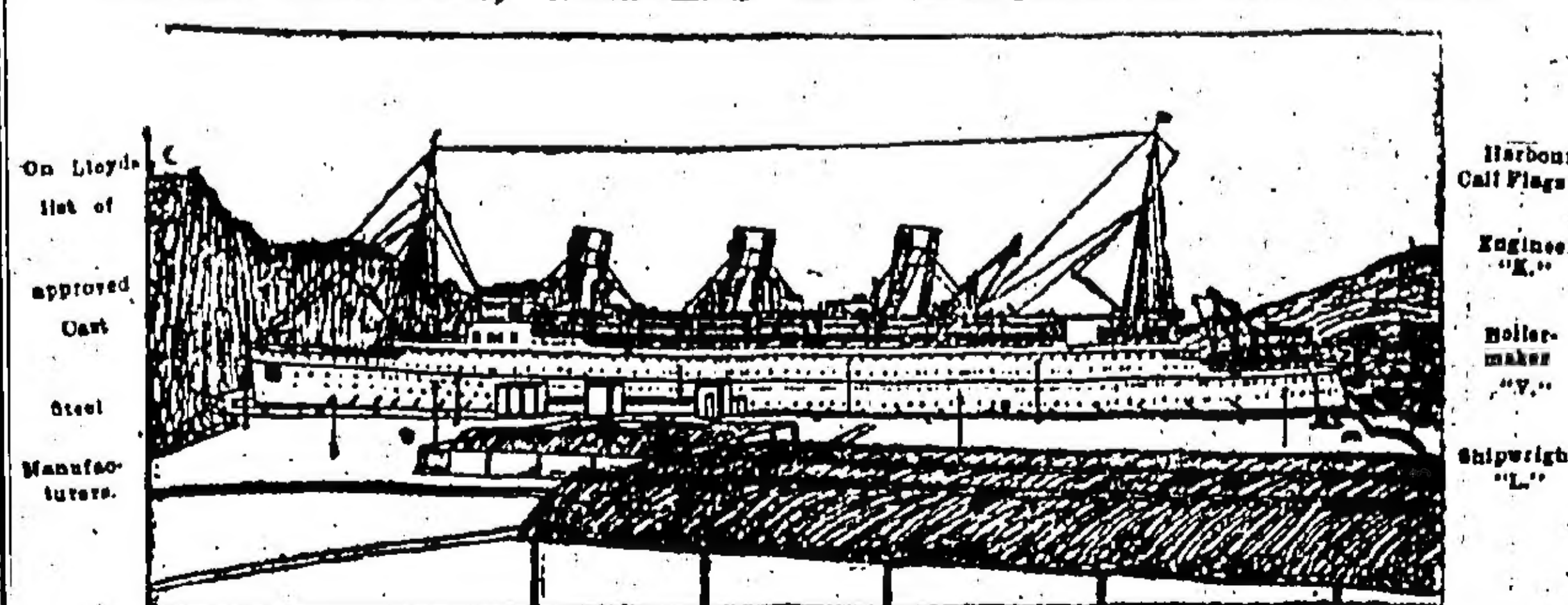
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## DARTMOOR GAOL MUTINY.

**FIFTY CONVICTS FACE TRIAL.**

**PROBLEMS FOR OFFICIALS.**

(Reuter's Special Service).

London, Feb. 16. Steel docks and a body of armed warders are suggested as a precaution at the public trial of fifty convicts, alleged to have been the ringleaders in the Dartmoor Prison mutiny.

One of the difficulties of the authorities is that of finding a court where it is safe to take these men.

The Home Office is now conferring with the police regarding the advisability of conducting the trial within the prison walls, but here again, another difficulty presents itself, that of finding a building in Dartmoor large enough to accommodate all the prisoners and the Court.

As fifty convicts are being charged, they will need at least a hundred warders.

## NO "DOLE" IN AMERICA.

**JOBLESS NOW TOTAL NINE MILLIONS.**

Washington, Feb. 16. There is to be no "dole" in the United States.

The Senate to-day rejected a Bill providing for direct Federal Unemployment Relief.

Under the Bill, a sum of \$25,000,000 was to have been appropriated for relief purposes this winter, and a further sum of \$50,000,000 for the next fiscal year.

The number of unemployed is now stated to total nine millions. — *Reuter's American Service.*

## THE SETTLEMENT STATUS.

**FRENCH REMINDER TO JAPAN.**

Paris, Feb. 16. The Foreign Office has instructed the French Ambassador in Tokyo to join the Anglo-American demarche reminding the Japanese Government of the necessity for respecting the status of the International Settlement in Shanghai. — *Reuter.*



A Japanese staff officer is here seen studying a map of the war zone in Shanghai.

## SIXTY TROOPSHIPS FOR SHANGHAI.

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planes, in the vicinity of the Paoshan Road. Information regarding their movements led to a concentrated fire on the Paoshan Road, a terrific barrage being laid by the field-guns at Hongkew Park. The result of the shelling is unknown.

## NANTAO PANIC.

Owing to a current rumour that the Japanese have prepared plans for an attack upon Nantao to-night, residents, especially those in the vicinity of the South Station and Kaohongmiao are panestricken and are deserting their homes in thousands. Huge numbers were

## EXCHANGE MARKET LIFELESS.

**HONGKONG DOLLAR UNALTERED.**

With silver unchanged both in London and New York, the Hongkong dollar remains at yesterday's rate. The local market is absolutely lifeless, with the same conditions in Shanghai.

In London, the market was featureless on opening, with small business passing. After the official fixing, the market ruled idle.

The cross-rate has slightly declined to 3.44½.

pressing their way past the barricades into the French Settlement this morning.

## Shanghai's Mystery Plane.

**Part of the Puzzle Solved.**

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH").

Shanghai, Feb. 17. Shanghai's aeroplane mystery, the sudden arrival of an unknown machine at the Racecourse and the speedy disappearance of the pilot, has been partially cleared up.

The pilot of the mystery plane was Mr. Tom Derby, an American, who arrived by air from Nanking. He is associated with the Arrow Aviation Company and flew to Nanking on business on January 25. He says that although Nanking was in no danger of attack, he considered that his plane was safer in Shanghai than in a Chinese hangar at Nanking. He selected the racecourse as the most suitable landing place.

**FIRE ON.** Mr. Derby declared that on his way down, he saw no signs of Chinese troop movements. He was very careful not to fly over Chapel, but nevertheless was mistaken for a Japanese plane and was fired upon by Chinese at least a dozen times without suffering hurt or damage.

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